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CHINESE WIN GROUND NEAR SHANGHAI

IMPORTANT POSITIONS RECAPTURED

Japanese Attack At Linyi in Effort To Relieve Yih sien

Hankow, Apr. 19.

Tsingpuchueh and Chuchiachueh, two important points between Quinsan, Sungkiang and Tsingpu, west of Shanghai, were recaptured by Chinese guerillas on April 16, after a stiff encounter with the Japanese.

It is learned that the number of Chinese guerillas operating in that area is quite large and they are now being assisted by regular troops.—Central News.

CHINESE RECAPTURE YANGWU

Chengchow, Apr. 19.

With the arrival of reinforcements, Chinese forces in northern Honan pressed on Yangwu, west of Fengchiu, on April 17, and after a fierce encounter succeeded in recapturing the town.—Central News.

Japanese Make New Drive On Linyi

Linyi, Apr. 19.

With the aid of heavy reinforcements Japanese troops are launching a new drive on Linyi in south-east Shantung in an effort to relieve the Chinese pressure on Yih sien and Tsaochung on the north sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

Bitter fighting is now in progress at Yitangchi, north-west of Linyi, where no fewer than 4,000 Japanese fresh troops from Tsingtao equipped with 20 field guns and 10 tanks are concentrated. The place has changed hands five times since April 16, according to military reports.—Central News.

Large-Scale Fighting Expected

Hauchow, April 19.

With both sides rushing heavy reinforcements, large-scale fighting is expected to break out in south Shantung before the end of this month, according to competent military observers.

It is reported that the Japanese command is dispatching four divisions of reinforcements to south (Continued on Page 4.)

STOP PRESS

PIRATES STRIKE AGAIN IN HONGKONG AREA

Another daring piracy in the vicinity of Hongkong waters has been reported to the Water Police.

A Hongkong registered junk owned by Tam Wing-yip was boarded by five armed men off Ching Chau, in Chinese waters, on the morning of April 18.

The pirates were armed with rifles, revolvers and daggers. When one of the crew of the junk, Wong Tai, refused to obey pirate orders to go into the hold he was stabbed in the arm.

The junk was ransacked, the pirates decamping in their smaller and speedier vessel in the direction of Tao Lim.

Wong Tai, the wounded man, has been admitted to Queen Mary Hospital. His condition is not serious.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

Mysterious Fire Follows Hankow Blast

Hankow, Apr. 19.

A huge conflagration broke out early yesterday afternoon following three explosions in a factory in the vicinity of Chung-shan Park on the western outskirts of the city.

Many matchless surrounding the factory were destroyed by the fire.

The cause of the explosions has not yet been ascertained.

The fire raged for nearly two hours, before it was controlled.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S FINGER IN RUMANIA'S OIL PIE

Aiding Government Exploitation

Bucharest, Apr. 18.

The Rumanian five-year economic plan comes into operation to-morrow under the direction of Dr. Militza Constantinescu, Minister of the new Department of National Economy.

The plan includes a scheme for the exploitation of the huge Rumanian oil fields, largest in Europe, whereby a commission, including representatives of British capital and oil companies established under royal decree, will co-operate with the Government in efforts to increase the crude oil output and discover new sources of supply.—Reuter.

PARDON FOR TOWNSEND

Washington, Apr. 18.

President F. D. Roosevelt has pardoned Dr. Francis Townsend, elderly author of the Old Age Revolving Pension Scheme, recently sentenced to a month's imprisonment for contempt of the House of Representatives. He had walked out of the Congressional Committee meeting which was inquiring into his scheme.—Reuter.

WEALTHY SPORTSMAN VANISHES

Late Andrew Carnegie's Nephew Last Seen Starting Flight

New York, April 18.

Police and aviation circles are conducting a nation-wide search for Mr. Andrew Carnegie Whitfield, wealthy nephew of the late Andrew Carnegie, who has mysteriously disappeared on a solo flight from Roosevelt Airport.

Whitfield took off in his own plane for a short solo flight on April 15. Fears that he has crashed have been largely dispelled as a widespread search over land and sea has failed to disclose any trace of wreckage of his plane.

A surprising twist to the hunt was announced when the embarkation officer of the Red Star Line disclosed that a man closely resembling Whitfield boarded the steamer Westerland shortly before she sailed for Europe on Saturday.

The man was accompanied by an airman named Frank Telman. Wireless messages were sent to the Westerland, asking whether Whitfield was a passenger.

The Master of the ship has radioed, however, that Whitfield is not aboard. Telman said that he last saw the missing man three weeks ago.—Reuter.

Real "Dick Whittington" Passes Away

Sir Stephen Killik Rose From Errand Boy To Eminence

London, Apr. 18.

London's real-life Dick Whittington—the errand boy who became Lord Mayor—is dead, says Reuter. Sir Stephen Killik was born in London in 1861 and attended St. Charles Roman Catholic College until he was 12, when he had to leave school to keep himself.

A job was found for him as errand boy to a London firm at five shillings a week.

Keen on learning all he could, young Killik spent his evenings in study and, so far as spare cash would allow, attended classes.

The fact that he had learnt shorthand secured for him in a few years a post in a stockbroker's office. There he lost no opportunity of applying the knowledge he had picked up to the best advantage and of adding to it by technical study.

He qualified as an incorporated accountant and in a few years set up in business for himself as a stockbroker, founding the firm of Killik and Co.

Being specially interested in American concerns, he made several journeys to the United States and South America. He became a recognised authority on Argentine affairs and was concerned with railway development there and in Colombia.

Meanwhile he had been elected an alderman of the City of London and a member of the Stock Exchange Committee. After the World War he helped to reorganise the city's finances, drawing up a scheme which restored them to a flourishing condition.

In 1922-3 he served as Sheriff and received a knighthood. He was a member of the council of the London Chamber of Commerce and held many directorships.

In Sept. 1934, Sir Stephen was elected Lord Mayor for 1934-5. He had married in 1887 a daughter of the late Mr. T. F. Molyneux, but she died in 1919. His daughter, Mrs. Stanley Greenland, therefore acted as Lady Mayoress.

The late Sir Stephen frequently wrote articles on financial and other subjects and also the books "Manual of Argentine Railways", "Stock Exchange Accounts" and "Premium or Bonus Bonds".

CHINA CELEBRATES



Throughout China, and particularly in Hankow, the populace celebrated the recent victories at Taierchwang and other points in Shantung, with great enthusiasm. Here is a typical scene in a busy Hankow street where girls and boys and a good many of their elders, joined in the noisy demonstration.

FRANCO'S ADVANCE IS IRRESISTIBLE

Hendaye, Apr. 18.

A force of 20,000 Loyalists, including British and American volunteers with the International Brigades, is trapped in the Ebro Valley. The Insurgents, meanwhile, are encircling Tortosa and are within rifle range of the desperate garrison.

The Insurgents have extended the breach between northern and southern "Loyalist" Spain by more than 43 miles, having driven to the Mediterranean beyond Benicarlo.

North of Vinaroz the Insurgents have occupied Amposts, and another column has marched into Santa Barbara, six miles south of Tortosa.

Anglo-Italian Pact Curtails "Axis" Mischief

Toronto, Apr. 18.

Commenting on the Anglo-Italian agreement, the Globe and Mail says to-day that the feuds between Britain and Italy which have continuously threatened the peace of the world for three years, have been ended amicably. The agreement, it is held, will curtail, if it does not completely end, the mischief of which the Rome-Berlin axis was capable while it was running free.—Reuter.

COVETED S. SEA ISLANDS

DIPLOMATIC WAR IN PROGRESS

Washington, Apr. 18.

The diplomatic war between the United States and Great Britain for possession of the small South Sea island of Canton, in the Phoenix group, and the neighbouring island of Enderbury, is believed to have reached another stage.

The two islands, lying on the route between Honolulu and New Zealand, attained strategic importance in recent years with the advent of commercial aviation across the Pacific.

New Zealand occupied the islands last year, when a radio station was erected on Canton. The United States Government, however, wishes (Continued on Page 4.)

Simultaneously, thousands of Insurgent troops have landed at Vinaroz to aid in conquering the still stoutly defended delta country there.—United Press.

CLOSE ON TORTOSA

San Sebastian, Apr. 18.

Following a double advance from the north and the south, the Insurgents have reached the outskirts of Tortosa.

The main part of the town lies on the opposite bank of the Ebro River, and it is considered certain that the Loyalists will blow up the bridges.—Reuter.

EGYPT'S RIGHTS RESPECTED

Separate Parleys With Italy

Cairo, Apr. 18.

Separate Italo-Egyptian good neighbour negotiations will be held shortly, according to a statement made to-day by the Prime Minister, Mahmoud Pasha, replying to a Waldist interpellation in the Chamber.

The Waldist allege the Anglo-Italian agreement was achieved without the active participation of Egypt.

Mahmoud Pasha emphasised that Egypt was consulted and her rights fully respected.

He thanked the Italian Government for its goodwill and the British Ambassador for his friendship and genuine co-operation.—Reuter.

FRANCE FOLLOWS BRITAIN

London, Apr. 28.

The French Charge d'Affaires in Rome will see Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, to-morrow as the first step towards the conclusion of an Italo-French agreement similar to the Anglo-Italian accord.—Reuter.

Japanese War Transport Now Paralysed

TROOP MOVEMENTS TO PRESSURE AREA MADE INEFFECTUAL

Counter-Thrust on Linyi Front Met and Checked

Hankow, Apr. 19.

Reviewing the military situation, General Hsu Pei-keng, chief intelligence officer at Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's headquarters, declared to-day that as far as is known the Japanese have transferred about one division, formerly operating in the north Shansi and west Suiyuan area, to Peiping.

Meanwhile, 3,000 Japanese troops have arrived at Linyi and launched an offensive against the Chinese positions without success there.

The Chinese continue to harass the Japanese along the Peiping-Suiyuan railway in Shansi, and in Anhwei and Chekiang are making it impossible for the Japanese to transport troops into Shantung to meet the Chinese offensive.

General Hsu emphasised that it is possible for the Japanese to send reinforcements from Japan proper and from Manchukuo, but such a step would expose Japan to the gravest dangers, it is believed.

The Chinese command, in any case, has completed arrangements to cope with any emergency.—Reuter.

U.S. URGED TO BUILD NEW NAVY SWIFTLY

Country Vulnerable To Sea Attack

Washington, April 18.

The Report of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee on the United States \$1,560,000,000 naval expansion programme urges prompt passage of the measure through Congress.

The Report gives warning that with its present armaments, the United States could be defeated or conquered without the necessity of military conquest by an enemy.

"Without a navy capable of controlling the seas against an enemy, an effective blockade of our foreign commerce can be established and maintained thousands of miles from our coasts, and well beyond the range of aircraft," states the Report.

"Our outlying possessions can be captured and used against us as advance bases.

"There is nothing to prevent the establishment of hostile bases on our overseas possessions.

"They could be used instead of aircraft carriers to make repeated bombing raids against our highly industrialised areas."—Reuter.

HUGE APPROPRIATIONS

Washington, Apr. 18.

The House of Representatives Appropriations Committee has favourably reported on the War and Civil Works Appropriations of U.S.\$220,334,725, including President Roosevelt's request for appropriations totalling \$37,000,000 for Flood Control.

The appropriation includes the annual grant to Mr. Paul V. McNutt, High Commissioner for the Philippines. This totals \$181,920, an increase of \$33,730 over last year, and includes \$5,530 for 27 new clerks, messengers, gardeners, caretakers and chauffeurs.—United Press.

T. V. A. CONSTITUTIONALITY AGAIN UNDER FIRE

Washington, Apr. 18.

Eighteen private utility companies operating in the Tennessee Valley Administration area have asked the Supreme Court to review the constitutionality of the T. V. A. project and the legality of its operations. The T. V. A. is a huge Government utility undertaking.—United Press.

Soviet Still Detaining Japan Plane

Tokyo's Spokesman Gives Explanation For Incident

Tokyo, Apr. 19.

One of nine Japanese aeroplanes, while flying over Tanning, near Suifu, an eastern border town of Manchukuo, made a forced landing in stormy weather on April 4 at a point two kilometres east of Tanning. This is in Soviet territory. This admission was made by a Foreign Office spokesman last night.

The landing, he explained, had been made because the plane's supply of gasoline had been exhausted.

The Japanese authorities, he went on, immediately asked the Soviet authorities to return the machine which was now being detained by them.

The spokesman explained that the Soviet had protested to the Japanese Government on April 13 regarding the incident, but the case was still unsettled, he added.—Reuter.

Gen. Franco Gets Pope's Blessing

Vatican City, Apr. 18.

The Papal Blessing has been bestowed upon General Francisco Franco, leader of the Spanish Insurgents.

General Franco, on the occasion of the canonisation of a new Spanish Saint, the Franciscan missionary Salvatore Dohorta, telegraphed His Holiness expressing gratitude for the canonisation and his loyalty to the Church.

The Pope replied, saying he was glad to hear vibrating in General Franco's message the traditional faith of Catholic Spain, and sending him "with all our heart" the apostolic benediction.—Reuter.

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1. Bolero suit. 2. Reefer suit. 3. Plain suit with print mixed-pleating at back. 4. Shirred corset waist.

Exotic Prints

ONE of the things which makes a fashion-writer see red is to be asked by a casual acquaintance, after she has been to dozens and dozens of dress shows, "What are the new styles like?" Film critics feel this way, too, when, hot from a week's picture previewing, their wives say, as wives do, "Let's go to a movie to-night."

For, in order to be able to tell you, with authority, that suit coats have lengthened to below the hip-bone, that pleated skirts are in, also stripes, spots, surah silks, lacey prints, lingerie blouses, men's suits, corseletted dresses, off-shoulder evening gowns, hoop skirts, hour-glass waists, and all the other things we have been shouting at you for the past few weeks, we have to sit on hard little chairs, day after day, and see hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of new models.

Ribbed Weaves

HATING us almost as much as we are hating them, mannequins sway by, proud of their narrow bodies. Walk, four steps to the right, smile, walk, turn, four steps to the left, walk, smile (if you can call it a smile).

I beckon one nearer in order to examine the familiar, yet unfamiliar, fabric of her suit. If Mr. Whipple, Lobs of it about this season, and other ribbed weaves like it.

Disdainfully, she submits to the examination and I restrain the impulse to give a hearty smack to her retreating back, remembering that she, too, must be tired of clothes, and envying her that thirty-four hip. When you meet model girls off duty, you will probably see them with untidy hair, careless shirts, and shabby flannel pants—the sort Gypsy Cooper loves to get around in. This is not merely because it is the thing of the moment to want to Get Away From It All, but just natural reaction.

Spotting the Winners

WHEN a few bad numbers go by, we whisper weak wisecracks to each other, light a cigarette, think our own dark thoughts. When you are seeing clothes all the time, there are few things as boring as bad clothes.

Or else, there is quite a nice little game to play. I call it Spotting What The Buyers Will Go For. Though it is not very satisfactory at the time, because you can't tell for

and so are pleated skirts . . . bolero suits . . . wickedly contrasting colours . . . and the elaborate Victorian mode

a month or so whether you have won.

Here, in case you had wondered, is where you and I really come into this business. I do not refer to those of you who buy original models, you know all about it anyway, but to the great army of women who are dependent, for their dressing, on the clothes in the shops.

American Influence

WHAT the buyers go for is, in the main, what you and I are ultimately going to wear. Not just yet, but presently, when the models have been bought and delivered, copied, altered and adjusted, and made in their hundreds and sold to us, thank heaven, at about one-tenth of the price of the original.

Right now American women are enormously influencing fashion. Since American buyers swoop on Paris and London in great numbers and with lots of dough, it is only natural that designers should devote quite a lot of their art to creating the sort of clothes that will say something sweet to American buyers. This explains the surging popularity of the bolero outfit, now at its peak, of the thirty type of dress and little jacket, of the severely cut but grandly ornamented dinner suit, of the full, frothy evening dress. They are all calculated to go straight to the heart—and purse—of the American buyer.

Origin of Clothes

WHATEVER they ultimately pay for them, American women make it their pride and business to know about the origin of their clothes. Far, far more than we do.

Any American average woman can tell you, for instance, all about the superb Schiaparelli type suits that go on and on, only needing new fastenings and tricks to make them look this season's. She knows that Molyneux is ace high, in cut and style, especially for the over-thirties; that Alex sculptor jersey into miracles as a long, long time to live down the creases of beauty; that Creed's tail-flowing chiffon at the back of hats is unbeatable; that Chanel's lace evening gowns are simply too lovely to be true.

She is even beginning to learn the characteristics of the London de-

signers, and can spot a Hartnell, a Stiebel, a Peter Russell by this or that individual touch.

A Great Help

THERE is no reason why the English average woman should not know these things too. It is a great help in good dressing, even if you only dress at the guinea shops. Any bookworm will tell you that a knowledge and understanding of the classic helps your bread and butter reading.

When the Buyers Game calls you can always work out why the designers are doing this and that. Why, for instance, is there such a strong Victorian feeling running through the entire evening mode, in some cases to the limit of crinolines, mittens, lace shawls, fans. Empress Eugenie evening hats? The answer is the influence of the successful play and film about Victoria.

A Word on Hats

COSTUME film and stage successes enormously influence current styles. Not only successes. It took a long, long time to live down the creases of beauty; that Creed's tail-flowing chiffon at the back of hats which followed Dietrich in "The Garden of Allah." Indeed, we have not yet lived it down. It has merely turned a corner, and done something a little different.

Elaborate print frock, cut to the figure . . . unusual treatment of shoulder-straps . . . worn with heavy bracelets and a spray of flowers in the hair.

Some of this season's hats are frankly Foreign Legion, sort of topees with protective flowing neck drapes.

Continuing this idea, little flat sailors—Victorian—have net veils tying and bunching down behind. That is how it goes, one thing leading to another. Trains of Thought, you see, another game to play. Last autumn's bi-colour schemes—the back of a dress blue, for instance, the front, red—has developed into the really big news of this season, two fabrics allied in one dress.

A Little Whimsy

THERE are many other reasons why the designers are doing this and that. One day, one of them has a little whimsy. Presently, women all over the land will be wearing the result of it. Mme. Schiaparelli, for example, has been to the circus. Consequently her new clothes have clown-head buttons, merry-go-round and animal prints.

I watched wonder-woman Chanel standing on the stairs, contemplating her collection, and wearing, of all things, a sort of parlor-maid's black bow on top of her head. Yes, for daytime, and very effective it was. Many of her mannequins wore it, too with day clothes. If it "takes," you will be seeing it around.

Then, again and again, you get the case of certain elegant, outstanding women influencing some particular designer, with heaven only knows what wide-reaching effects on us all.

Glorify A Type

MAINBOCHER, who makes a lot of the Duchess of Windsor's clothes, would not be human or the artist he is if his collection generally did not glorify and enhance her type. I don't mean to say he doesn't do other clothes, and for every type of elegant woman. He does, few better. But the Duchess must be in his mind, and the situation is that, as the Mainbocher models are bought, copied, adapted, manufactured, more and more women are going to dress a little bit like the Duchess dresses.

A gentleman called Jean Schlumberger made a sort of turban evening shoe, jersey crossing on the toes and bandaging the foot, for Mrs. Harrison Williams, a famous, white-haired, cat's-eyed American beauty. You can buy his twin in Bond-street to-day.

Splashy Prints

MOST important of all is the way contemporary thought and events sway and move the mode. The pictures in a big art exhibition lend their portion of rich colours, fabrics and period lines. Juliana has kept yellow before us, and tulips on our hats and dresses since the state of her romance.

English and American society flocks to Bull these days. So we have splashy vivid Bullish prints for our slinkier evening gowns, garden head-dresses. People go more and more to the country. Through-out the collections a favourite decoration is a large bunch of field flowers.

So it goes on. And how I run on, until I am suddenly pulled up short by a dress which comes along and makes me and my colleagues go "Ahh" like you do at fireworks shows, because it is breath-taking and utterly beautiful.

Detailed Notes

WITH the others, I feverishly make detailed notes, and think, with others, "I must get that drawn for my paper if only I can get in first."

Somehow it sets us all to think about ourselves and men and money and love and the life we might have had, or the life we are going to have, and of the world going round. . . .

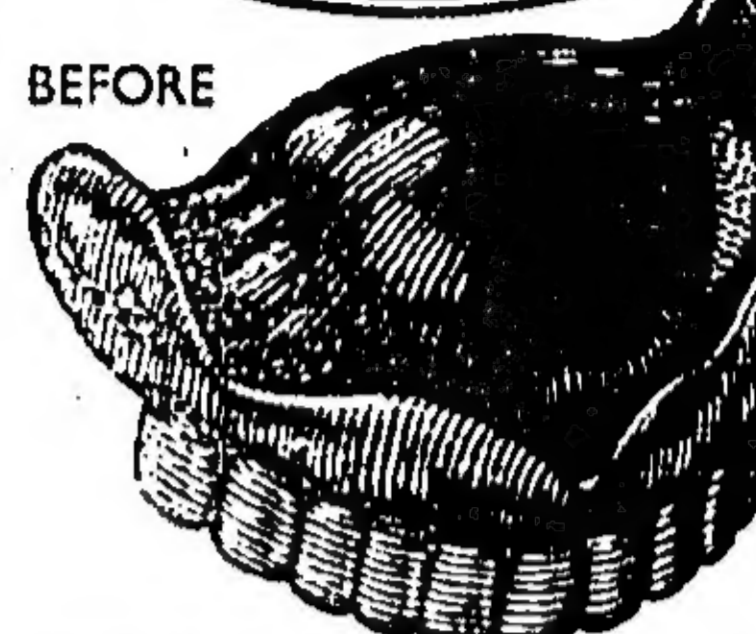
In other words, it makes us go goo-ey. With a quick shock of remembrance, we realise yet once again how terribly, vitally important clothes are in what is so quaintly called The Scheme of Things.

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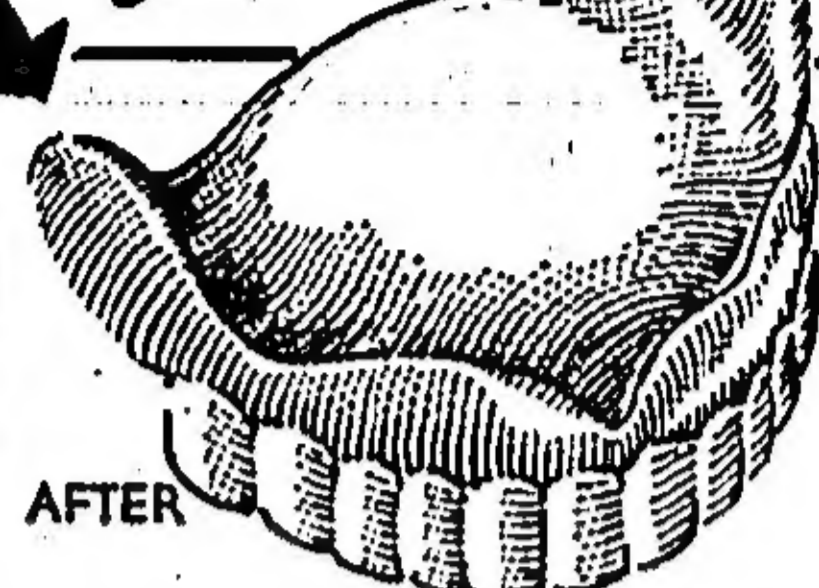


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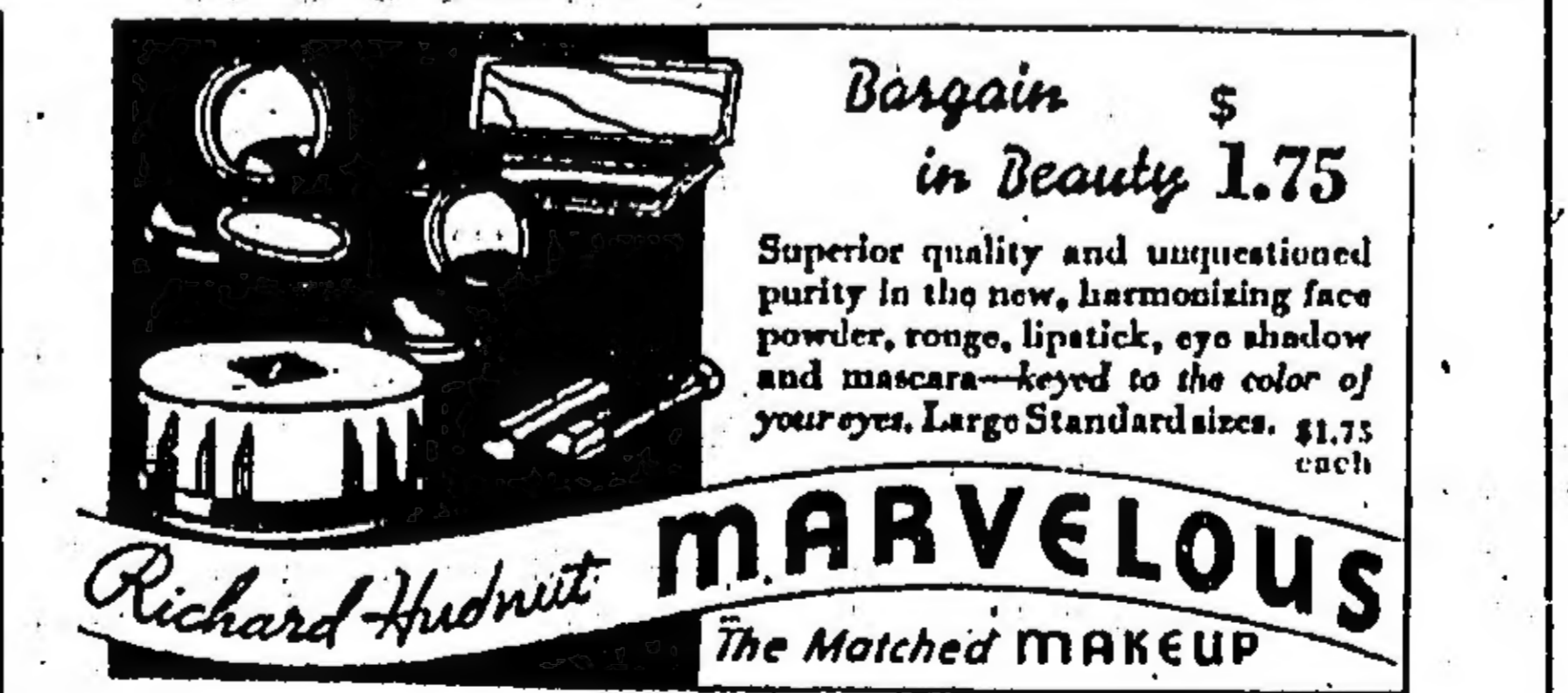
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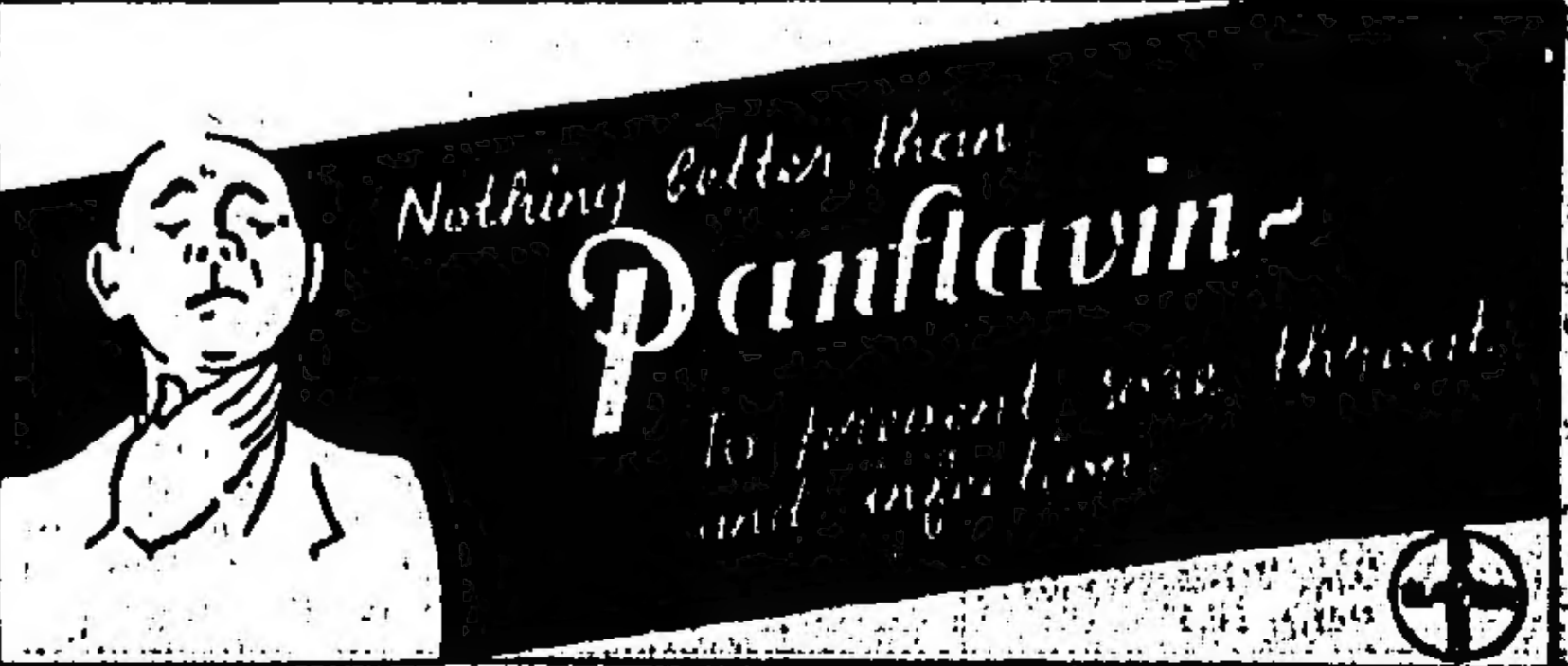
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First of the new ships to reach Hongkong will be the P. & O. Line's 15,500-ton Canton, which is expected to leave Southampton on her maiden voyage on Oct. 7 and reach Hongkong about Nov. 10. She replaces the 24-year-old Kaiser-I-Hind, recently withdrawn for breaking up.

The Canton will be followed half way through next year by a 21,000-ton luxury liner being built in Holland for the Nederland Line. The new Nederland ship at present is known as "No. 270."

Ships still on the drawing board, but on which work should start shortly, are a 16,500-ton vessel for the Lloyd Triestino Line and three vessels of the same tonnage for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Line.

EMPIRE NEWS

INDIAN CONGRESS DECISION

Bombay. The Working Committee of the Indian National Congress, which is now holding its 51st session at Haripur, near here, has decided not to call on the ministries of Madras, Bombay, Orissa, Central Provinces, and the North-West Frontier province to resign.

These five provinces, together with Bihar and the United Provinces, constitute the seven in which the Congress Party holds office. The Bihar and United Provinces ministries resigned last Tuesday, following the refusal of the Governor of Bihar, Sir Maurice Hallett, acting on instructions from the Viceroy, the Marquess of Linlithgow, in his capacity as Governor-General, to sanction the release of 25 political prisoners.

The present Working Committee resolution states that "Congress does not wish to precipitate a crisis which may involve non-co-operation. It invites the Governor-General to reconsider his decision."

The political situation is considerably easier. An important factor in the improvement appears to have been the vigorous protests of Congress Party headquarters at various provincial Congress governments, particularly Bombay and Madras, against proposals that they be called on for sympathetic "strikes."

The protagonists of the working committee have found themselves in some difficulty, and it is not surprising that they have concentrated on the lead given them by the Press attack on the Viceroy, the Marquess of Linlithgow, by the Marquess of Latham.

Lord Latham, who recently stayed with Mr. Gandhi, went a long way in showing his sympathy with Congress views during his recent visit to India. He openly shared their criticisms of the new constitution.

Mr. Bose's Address.—The opening of the Congress session last night was an impressive affair. There was a crowd estimated to number about 200,000. Determined opposition to Federation formed the keynote of Mr. Subhas Bose's presidential address. He emphasised the necessity of resisting Federation by all legitimate and peaceful—not merely constitutional—means.

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The British Empire, he said, must transform itself into a federation of free nations, and this would only be possible if Britain became a Socialist State.

Prisoners Released.—The Madras Government has released 67 prisoners from Salem prison.—Exchange.

Canada.

SOCIAL CREDIT RIFT

Toronto. It is rumoured in Edmonton that a further break in the ranks of Social Credit appears to be imminent. Reports are current that Mr. Aberhart, the Premier of Alberta, will ask for the resignation of two members of his Cabinet—Mr. W. A. Fallow, Minister of Public Works, and Mr. D. B. Mullan, Minister of Agriculture.

Mr. Aberhart is said to be dissatisfied with the administration of the road funds and the failure of the Ministry of Agriculture to remedy the situation following the drought.

Strike Settled.—The strike of 1,500 coal-handlers which was called on Friday, and which yesterday threatened to spread to milk, bread, and department store delivery men, was amicably settled to-day. A five-

ALTHOUGH she is nearly ready for service particulars of the new P. and O. ship have not been announced. It is understood she is a sister ship, with various modifications and improvements, of the Carthage and other P. & O. "C" liners.

The Canton probably will have considerably more deck space than the other "C" ships and it is likely that her interior furnishing will approach in some degree the standard of luxury of the P. & O. Line's fine "Strath" ships, operating on the England-Australia service.

The ships provided by P. and O. for Australians are of a vastly higher standard than those on the Far Eastern route.

The new Nederland Line ship will be built on the lines of the comfortable and popular Marix van Sint Aldegond and Johan van Oldenbarnevelt, although her length will be 630 feet, 20 feet longer than the Marix.

DUTCH SHIP'S 21 KNOTS

Her service speed of 21 knots will enable her to equal the Lloyd Triestino time of 15 days for the Singapore-Genoa run.

The English and Dutch lines are the only ones to compete on this route, and without this tactical advantage.

The largest ship in the Europe-Singapore run is the 21,110-ton Cruise, Bismarck, owned by heavily-subsidised Lloyd Triestino. The most luxurious, and in the run the 13,000-ton Victoria, also is a Lloyd Triestino unit. Both these vessels are run at 23 knots.

The Lusitania and the Queen Mary, owned by the Cunard Line, also are heavily-subsidised by the German and French Governments respectively.

U. S. Woman Aiding China

Communist Writer Playing Conspicuous Part

Hankow. In the cosmopolitan atmosphere of Hankow, the Chinese temporary capital which has seen foreign aviators, diplomats and scientists, one foreigner has played a conspicuous part in aiding China to resist the Japanese invaders.

She is Miss Agnes Smedley, American woman Communist writer, who spent considerable time with the Eighth Route Army in North China.

Now in Hankow, Miss Smedley keeps busy daily collecting clothes, shoes, goggles, stockings and other equipment which is subsequently shipped to Shansi province to be used by Chinese guerrilla warriors.

She spends much time in propagandist work, addressing dozens of literary and patriotic meetings which are now very numerous.

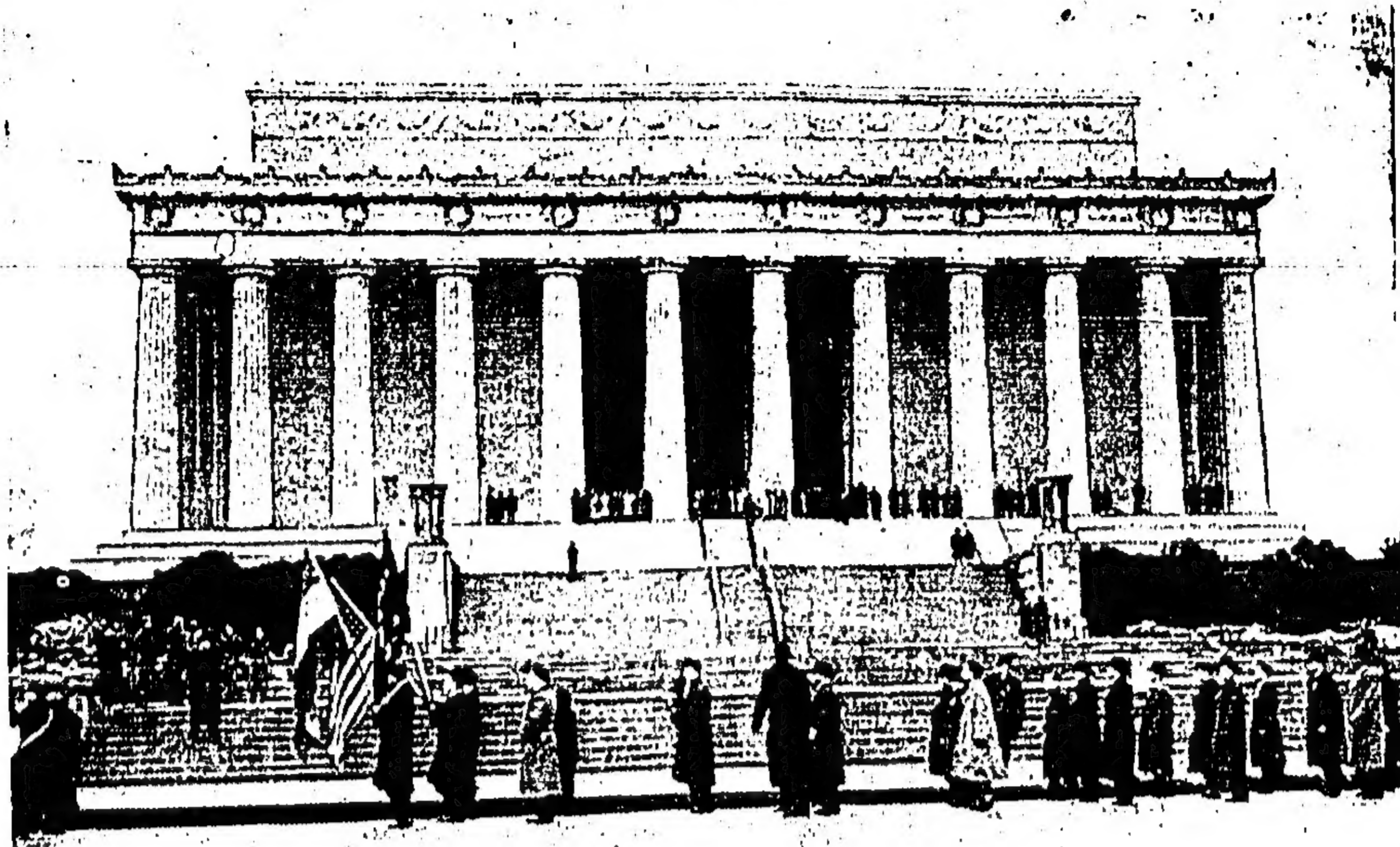
Although she was wearing a Chinese military uniform when she arrived in Hankow several weeks ago, she now wears western dress, including American silk stockings. She still wears her heavy army shoes.

In spare moments she is preparing a book about the Chinese "Red Army."

weeks' truce is declared, during which drivers receive an advance of 75¢, an hour, and the price of coal is advanced 15¢ a ton.

A Gold "Strike."—Reports of a new gold "strike" at Sebanos, situated in an isolated part of Vancouver Island, to-day drew prospectors by scores. The ore was first discovered by a fisherman, and more than 1,000 claims have been staked and five mines opened. The population, which less than a year ago consisted of a few fishermen, is now more than 600.

SPANISH CIVIL WAR "VETERANS" HONOUR AN AMERICAN STATESMAN



CIVIL WAR VETERANS in the Spanish Loyalist Army marching by the Lincoln Memorial in Washington to honour the great emancipator.

Lord Dawson Tries To Save Mothers From The Black Cap

LORD DAWSON OF PENN, famous Royal doctor, fought in the House of Lords recently to save tragic mothers in Britain from the Black Cap.



PRINCESSES GROW TALLER.—Showing strong resemblance to the Windsor family features, here are Britain's princesses, Princess Elizabeth, right, and Princess Margaret Rose, in the process of reaching childhood's stringy stage. Elizabeth is nearly 12 and Margaret Rose is 7. They are shown as they arrived at Royal Agricultural Hall, London, to visit the national pony show.

RAISED 20 CHILDREN ON CHEESE AND CIDER

Weston-Super-Mare.

WHEN Mrs. Bert Fisher, of Myrtle Farm, in the Somerset village of Brent Knoll, presented her husband with their fifth child, he named the baby boy "Thomas Lot," says a correspondent.

"That's the lot," said Bert Fisher. But he was wrong. Thomas Lot was born 25 years ago and to-day he's got 18 brothers and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher claim to have the biggest family in the country. Mr. Fisher took me to his antique oak bureau and produced a sheaf of papers. They were birth certificates.

"Have to look 'em up sometimes to remember all their names," he confided. "Twenty children we've had, and 19 are living."

"I'm only 55 and the wife's 50, and we've lived in this farm since the day we were married in 1905. Victor, our eldest, was born in 1908."

"And after that I had a baby every year for 20 years," clipped

He wants to ensure that a woman who, while still suffering from the effects of childbirth, kills her child under the age of one

shall not witness the dread spectacle of the judge putting on the Black Cap and sentencing her to death.

Existing law to this effect operates, said Lord Dawson, in the case of a "newly-born" child, but he explained that there is no definition (either legal or medical) of what that means, although the accepted custom is to regard a newly-born as under a month old.

He was moving the second reading of a Bill to amend the law, and he told a grim story of a case in which the woman was called an expert witness.

"A GOOD MOTHER"

A woman, he said, had seven birth to her second child. In ordinary circumstances she was sane. She was happily married and was a good mother.

When the child was three weeks old the nurse appeared one morning, put it to the breast and left the room. She came back in about ten minutes and found that both the mother and the baby had disappeared.

There was a hunt. The infant and the mother were found with throat injuries.

The woman was put up at the Old Bailey for infanticide. It was asked whether the child was newly-born. In the face of definition the woman was tried for murder.

When the Judge summed up, said Lord Dawson, he expressed the hope that some amendment of the Act might take place, and suggested to the jury that if they thought the woman was not responsible they should bring in a verdict saying that she did the act, but that owing to illness, she was not responsible and so was not guilty.

HIS ARGUMENT

So she was found guilty without the necessity of sentencing her to death.

His governing argument was that when illness is the cause of the offence the law should go farther than it does now and that, so far as is compatible with the administration of justice the machinery of crime should be avoided.

He attacked the familiar verdict of "Guilty but insane" as being "fundamentally unsound." Surely he said, it should be "insane and therefore not guilty."

Lord Snell gave general support to the Bill, but intimated that Labour would put down amendments affecting the treatment of women on remand.

The Bill was given a second reading.

grand stuff for bringing up a family. The farm has produced everything to feed them, and—"he stretched out his arms and showed his work-hardened palms—"this pair of hands has earned everything to keep them."

"The family is still growing. We have ten grandchildren already."

He flicked over the pile of birth certificates. "Must be the largest family, don't you think?"

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Katori Maru 7th May
Kasuga Maru 21st May

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Kamo Maru 28th May

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Toyooka Maru 28th April
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Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon

Totteri Maru 25th April
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

SOCIETY OF YORKSHIREMEN
IN HONG KONG.Annual Cabaret-Dinner-Dance,
22nd April, 1938.

Members who have not yet sent in their table reservations, are reminded that the list closes to-morrow, April 20th. No applications can be accepted after this date.

THE CANTON INSURANCE
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Notice to Shareholders.

The Fifty-Seventh Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 6th May, 1938, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 22nd April to the 6th May, 1938, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON &
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Hongkong, 13th April, 1938.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES
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The Steamship

"D'ARTAGNAN"

No. 11 A/38

Bringing Cargo from Marseilles

via Saigon etc., arrived Hongkong

on Tuesday, 19th April, 1938.

Consignees are hereby informed

that their goods with the exception

of Opium, Treasure and Valuables

are being landed and stored into

the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kow-

loon, whence delivery may be ob-

tained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me

on or before 30th April, 1938, or

they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined

by the Company's Surveyors

Messrs. Goddard and Douglas in the

presence of the Consignees at 10.00

a.m. on Monday, 25th April, 1938.

Consignees must have a Revenue

Officer in attendance when any

dutiable goods are examined by the

Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected

by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,

Agent.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1938.

U.S. COMMODITY
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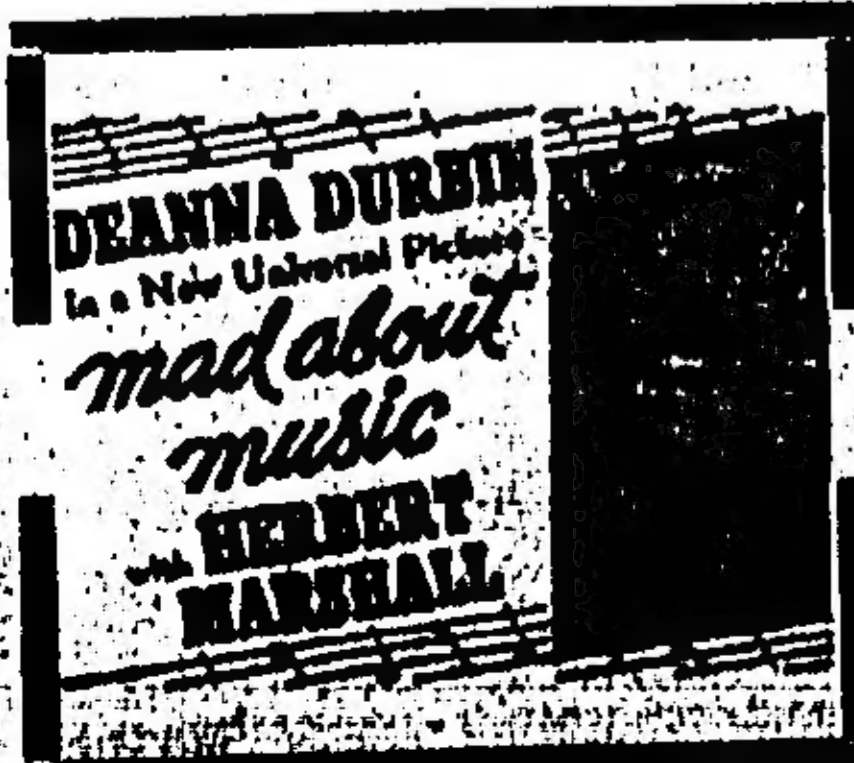
	New York, Apr. 18.	
May	8.99/99	8.97/97
July	9.02/03	9.04/04
Oct.	9.13/15	9.11/11
Dec.	9.17/15	9.13/14
Jan. (1939)	9.17/16	9.16/16
Mar. (1939)	9.24/23	9.22/23
Spot		9.03
The First Notice Day for May		
Cotton is April 26.		
	New York Rubber	
May	12.65/73	12.70/81
July	12.65/13.01	13.00/00
Sept.	13.14/19	13.05/13
Dec.	13.35/40	13.31/32
Mar.		13.49
Sole for the day: 3,020 tons.		
	Chicago Wheat	
May	84/83 1/2	84 1/2/84 1/2
July	81 1/2/81 1/2	82 3/4/82 3/4
Sept.		83 1/4/83 1/4
	Chicago Corn	
May	60 1/4/60 1/4	59 3/4/60
July	61 1/4/61 1/4	61 1/4/61 1/4
Sept.		62 1/2/62 1/2
	Winnipeg Wheat	
May	125 1/4/125 1/4	126 1/4/126 1/4
July	115 1/4/115 1/4	115 1/4/115 1/4
Oct.		91/91 1/4

1,750 PILOTS JOIN R.A.F.
IN 10 MONTHS

Since the expansion of the R.A.F. began in 1935, more than 4,500 pilots have entered the service. For the year ending on March 31 the requirements totalled 1,750 pilots—a record—but this number was obtained by the end of January.

Of the total, about 1,300 have been accepted from civil life, and the balance, in accordance with normal policy, are selected from volunteers among serving airmen.

Applications are now being accepted from civilians to enter the R.A.F. for training as pilots during the year beginning in April. The number of vacancies will be in excess of the 1,300 taken this year.



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Singapore, Apr. 18. Australia's unluckiest and luckiest airman, Harry "Try Again" Broadbent, is winging swiftly on his way to the south, flying above the Netherlands East Indies islands where, a month ago, he crashed with the England-Australia record with his grasp. He reached Singapore this evening, and staying only long enough to refuel his machine, left a few minutes afterwards for Port Darwin.

Broadbent is attempting to create a new record for the England-Australia-New Zealand flight, the present record being held by Clouston and Rickards, who covered the course early this month.

Some beef and chicken essence, without which he never travels, is his only food on the last dangerous hop between Singapore and Port Darwin.

Broadbent earned the nickname "Try Again" because of the many courageous attempts he has made for various long distance records in the face of enormous obstacles.

He has already made four attempts on the England-Australia and Australia-England records. His first, in 1931, ended in failure when he was forced down and imprisoned in Turkey. He tried again in October, 1935, but made a forced landing at Basra when the record was within his grasp. Going on to England he was more fortunate on the return journey to Australia, beating Sir Charles Kingsford Smith's record by 7 1/2 hours. His third attempt on the Australia-England record was successful, and he set a record that was not broken until Miss Jenn Batten, the New Zealand aviator, made her astounding solo flight last year.

Broadbent had the record again in his grasp last month when he crashed on an island in the Timor group.

Router.

CHINESE WIN GROUND
NEAR SHANGHAI

(Continued from Page 1.)

Shantung, including one division from Shanghai, one and half divisions from Manchuria, and the Peiping-Hankow Railway zone, and one and half divisions from Japan, which recently landed at Tientsin.

Meanwhile, the Chinese side is also rushing large contingents of fresh troops to the area, though the exact number is kept a secret. Among these are many units newly trained and equipped with the most up-to-date armaments.—Central News.

French Congratulatory
Message

Hankow, Apr. 19. A message of congratulation on China's recent victories has been received by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek from the Union of Chinese People's Friends in France.

The Union, it is learned, was recently formed by 50 public organisations in France.—Central News.

Fighting Continues At
Yihhsien

Hsuehchow, Apr. 19. Whilst waiting for reinforcements, the Japanese troops in and around Yihhsien are still desperately resisting the Chinese onslaughts.

Seesaw operations have been going on in the villages southeast of Yihhsien, Wuchang and Kuolchi. In a determined assault yesterday the Chinese forces slaughtered some 300 Japanese at Wuchang. A Chinese regimental commander and a battalion commander, who led the attack, were killed.

At Kuolchi the Japanese launched a fierce attack in an attempt to break the Chinese cordon. The Chinese troops jumped out of their trenches and challenged the attackers in a hand-to-hand engagement. When the Japanese withdrew after suffering heavy losses, the Chinese launched a counter-attack, inflicting even greater casualties.

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POPULATION
OF LONDON
IN 1951

MAY BE 10,750,000

Figures prepared by Sir Charles Dreyer, of the Ministry of Transport, of the recent and estimated future population of London were disclosed before the Royal Commission on the Distribution of the Industrial Population. They were:

1931: 9,500,000. 1961: 10,700,000.
1941: 10,350,000. 1971: 10,700,000.
1951: 10,750,000.

Mr. Frank Pick, vice-chairman of the London Passenger Transport Board, who was giving evidence at the time, commented:

"I should say these figures are based on the natural increment of the population."

Sir Montague Barlow, the chairman, replied that Sir Charles did not visualise a 12,000,000 population, as mentioned by Mr. Pick at a previous hearing.

Mr. Pick added that transport could not keep pace with a London extending beyond a limit of 12 miles from Charing Cross.

"If London develops beyond that, the means of transport on which it depends will be inadequate," he said. "There will always be standing passengers at the peak hours," he said in reply to another question.

Later he declared: "There is a point at which people will no longer stand."

AIR RAID FIRE PERIL

The Commission later discussed in private with Mr. Herbert Morrison, leader of the L.C.C., and Sir George Gater, the Clerk, the evidence which they had submitted for the council dealing with London's fire danger in the event of air attacks.

The L.C.C.'s views were: Risk of fire in war-time would be reduced by scattering industrial premises as far as possible.

Fire fighting services must be strengthened to meet the risk of serious destruction by incendiary bombs.

The existing water supplies might be inadequate for fire fighting in industrial areas in war-time.

In war conditions normal communications essential to fire fighting services might be seriously dislocated.

A map showing future developments contemplated by the L.C.C. was also examined by the Commission in private.

Fresh Air Cure
As Fallacy

Many of the claims made for fresh air are false.

Townsmen on holiday have been filling their lungs with fresh air for generations and all they have been getting is—air.

Dr. Clifford Hoyle, assistant physician to King's College Hospital and Brompton Hospital for Consumption, exposed it before the Royal Institute of Public Health.

"The idea that fresh air, as such, has any kind of miraculous effect in sustaining health or as a recuperative factor in illness outside of movement, temperature and humidity is a pure fallacy," he declared.

"It is the change of scene, the relief from the daily round, the alternation of rest and exercise and pleasurable company that give to the 'fresh air' of our holidays an altogether undeserved reputation."

TO CURE A COLD

Dr. Hoyle was giving advice on how to combat the common cold.

There were still many false notions about clothing, and many people encased themselves in layers of wool the moment the leaves began to fall.

"Yet women," he added, "who are less warmly clad than men, are less prone to pneumonia. Clothing should always be light, permeable to air, allow free evaporation from the skin, absorb moisture up to a point and not cling to the skin when wet."

The essential cause of colds was infection with a living virus, and there was no means of avoiding it except by living as a reclus.

"All one can reasonably advise," added Dr. Hoyle, "is that those who contract a cold should, as far as possible, stay at home, preferably in one room, for a day or two, taking great care not to sneeze or cough with unprotected nose and mouth."

Robert Donat's
New Contract

TO MAKE 4 M.G.M. FILMS

Mr. Robert Donat, the British 32-year-old film star, who recently refused an offer from Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer of £20,000 a year for nine years, will probably appear in four pictures to be made by M.G.M. in this country. I understand that he will receive £30,000 a film, or £120,000 in all, says a film correspondent.

The first will be Mr. Victor Saville's production of "The Citadel," based on Dr. A. J. Cronin's best seller. Miss Elizabeth Allan will play the American who made "The Big Parade" and other notable films, will direct.

Mr. Donat may also appear in the Royal Air Force story, "Shadow of the Wing." He also has a contract to make two more films for Mr. Alexander Korda.

GARNER
MAY SPLIT
DEMOCRATSRoosevelt's Spending
Scheme May Cause
Political Chaos

Washington, Apr. 18.

Despite denials, it is persistently affirmed that the Vice-President, Mr. John Garner, is objecting to President Roosevelt's spending programme with an emphasis that bodes ill for the Administration.

Although Vice-President Garner fought for all the President's objectives for five years, he has never been a New Dealer, but really belongs to the conservative southern Democrats, who have recently done much to oppose the President.

If Vice-President Garner were to throw in his weight with this bloc, the Republicans who are opposing the spending programme would be greatly encouraged, while the Democrats might be split with serious consequences to President Roosevelt during his remaining two years in office.

It is a purely political move, which might lead to an Administration division on such a vital issue.

New Deal supporters are convinced that the conservative Democrats who are sabotaging their objectives must be defeated at the forthcoming primary elections, and believe that more progressive men will be elected in their place.

The Vice-President, however, cannot be defeated, so the President must work together if congressional chaos is to be avoided.—Reuter.

HOLLYWOOD
AND BAN ON
ABDICATION

QUITE a flurry passed through Hollywood when a story spread that the official ban on all films dealing with the abdication of King Edward VIII had been lifted.

Both by newspapers and over the radio it was reported that Harold Lloyd was preparing to make a film from the story of the abdication and that Will Hay's office, which had censored the story at the time of the abdication, had lifted the ban.

At the Lloyd Studios, they were very much upset for the simple reason that the whole story was untrue.

"It's all a terrible mistake," a harassed official there told the News Chronicle, and proceeded to explain.

"SPENT £10,000 ON IT," he said, "when the abdication occurred we'd spent \$90,000 on a country who took a fancy to a young American veterinary surgeon (played by Harold) because the vet had cured the king's dog."

"Just because there was a king in the story and some of the action took place in Europe we had to shave the whole picture. Now we are trying to salvage it. We've decided to turn the king into an American millionaire."

"And that," he concluded, almost tearfully, "shows you how careful we are being."

COVETED S. SEA
ISLANDS

(Continued from Page 1.)

CANTON PEOPLE SEEK SAFETY IN NEW EXODUS

Canton, Apr. 18.

About 250 persons were killed and over 300 were injured in the mass air raid yesterday by Japanese bombers, which dropped their missiles from high altitude to escape the intensive ground fire.

The victims in Chung Wah North Road, Little North and Ho Yin Street in the north sections of the city presented a gruesome and horrible sight. None of the areas are located in or near military establishments. Volumes of smoke from bombed buildings were still seen this morning.

One report stated that the death list is over 500.

Pa Kiang and Kwantien on the Canton-Hankow Railway were so badly bombed that traffic was suspended to-day.

There is widespread indignation that the bombing was aimed at the civil population. More bodies are uncovered from the wreckage, and the work of extricating them is in progress this morning and will be continued for a day or two. Hospitals are full of injured victims.—International.

PITIFUL SCENES

Canton, Apr. 18.
In the four devastated areas of yesterday's raids the writer counted 107 corpses. It is known that 78 of the more seriously injured victims of the bombing are in hospitals.

The sights one saw were truly pitiful: an infant girl perhaps 11 months old lying by the lifeless forms of her mother and grandmother, a gaping pit where had been their home where Tak Suen Maloo joins the Chong Pin Maloo. Among the dead along the sidewalk were three other small children. At the little North Gate ten young children were killed. On four streets, out that way 18 houses were in ruins.

Yesterday one of the Japanese raiders was shot and it was seen burst into flames and many saw it settling slowly towards the earth to the south of the mountain. The Japanese flew considerably lower than on their last raid over Canton. Ahead of the bombs came a shower of machine-gun bullets on the north side of town. Six men on the streets had bullet wounds, none of them severe.

Every time the defence guns go into action bits of their shells fall on the crowded streets. A small fragment was picked up at the door of the National City Bank, Shamene, which is one of the concession air-raid shelters. Yet to date there have been no casualties in Canton proper from these bits of shells.—Our Own Correspondent.

SHEKLUNG BRIDGE SAFE

Canton, April 18.
Although an outpost paper stated that Japanese bombers secured a direct hit on Sheklung Bridge, the bridge was not damaged in any way by bombing. Anti-aircraft fire has kept away Japanese planes.

The bridge damaged by the bombing last Friday was the Shek Tan bridge, which is about ten miles north of Sheklung. The damage to this structure is little known, as it is now covered with planks to facilitate the crossing by passengers last night.

It is learned that one of the other bridges was shaken by the explosion but that repairs may be completed very shortly. There was no direct hit on this bridge, otherwise it would not be suitable for the crossing of pedestrians. Passengers who arrived here late last night confirmed that no bombs were dropped on the Sheklung bridge.

Over fifteen coffins accommodated in the Double Mountain Monastery in a north suburb were split open by the bombing yesterday. The coffins were in a big house to hold coffins which have yet no suitable ground for burial. The corpses inside the coffins were blown to pieces.

Most of the districts bombed yesterday were inhabited by poor people. Pictures of dead children and women were featured in all the newspapers here this morning. As the Japanese bombers flew very high, the aiming was poor. The bombing was intended to frighten the people here and to serve the Japanese propaganda that Canton's air defence is inadequate.

It is believed that the bombing has an opposite effect and will encourage more contribution for the purchase of pursuit planes. The building up of a Canton air force will be accelerated, and a Hankow report stated that General Chiang Kai-shek has appropriated \$1,000,000 for the order of fighters for Kwangtung.—Special.

EXODUS TO COUNTRY

Canton, April 18.
Many women and children left here this morning for the country, Hongkong and Macao in view of indiscriminate bombing by Japanese planes. The city was very quiet last night.

Three Japanese bombers again flew over the northern suburbs shortly after noon to-day and showered leaflets on the districts heavily bombed yesterday.

Many people are homeless as a result of the mass bombing, and the Canton Municipal Government is providing shelter and relief to destitute survivors, numbering nearly 800.

Twenty-eight planes took part in the raids this morning. Pa Kiang

Support For Pact Not Unanimous

Labour Condemns
Chamberlain's
Methods

London, Apr. 18.
Commenting on the Anglo-Italian Agreement which was signed during the week-end, the London Times says that it is auspicious as the first instalment of a policy clearly outlined by Mr. Neville Chamberlain and should lay the foundation of a fresh and lasting understanding on terms of perfect equality between Great Britain and a new Italy.

There is now nothing warranting tension in the Mediterranean, says the newspaper. The two empires make contact only in Africa and on the sea, and the agreement seems to cover every past or potential cause of difference.

The Daily Telegraph hails the agreement as a good augury for peace and a signal triumph for Mr. Chamberlain. At worst, even if the agreement fails, the attempt will still have been eminently worthy while, says the paper. On the other hand, it is more probable that it will succeed and it may well mark a turning point in diplomacy, and a prelude to a wider understanding which will dispel the fears that have for too long haunted Europe.

The Daily Herald asserts that in the agreement and in all its annexes there is nothing worth the paper on which it is written. Mr. Chamberlain has sealed the betrayal of Abyssinia, arranged for the betrayal of Spain and struck yet another blow at the League of Nations.

The Daily Mail comments that the agreement has healed a perilous three years' quarrel and is a triumph for Mr. Chamberlain. The supreme task of European appeasement will receive a strong impetus from what Mr. Chamberlain and Signor Mussolini both hail as a return of Anglo-Italian confidence and friendship.

The Daily Express wishes the agreement well, saying that it deserves well.

The News Chronicle states that the agreement is a compact between two Imperialistic Powers on a pre-war model—an appalling measure of deterioration in international morals since 1930. With this pact in one pocket and his axis agreement in the other, the Duke will be able, if he chooses to play off Mr. Chamberlain against Herr Hitler and take the better bargain in the end. The proper way to regard the agreement at present is that it is an armistice rather than a full peace.—Reuter.

"ADDLED BANTAM'S EGG"

London, Apr. 18.
The Labour newspaper, Daily Herald, with a citation in excess of 2,000,000, termed the Anglo-Italian Accord as a "bantam's Easter egg and added at that."—United Press.

ATTACK BY PEER

New York, Apr. 18.
Lord Davis Davies, the British Peer, belittled the Anglo-Italian Accord. He predicted that Mr. Chamberlain would be overthrown if he put the issue to the people.

He said that the only way world peace could be maintained was by giving the League a mighty air force. He hinted that the Treaty might contain secret clauses.

He added: "I am particularly anxious to know whether Britain has granted financial credits. The country would be absolutely opposed to any financial arrangement of that kind."—United Press.

on the Canton-Hankow Railway and Chung Fa, 50 miles north of Canton were bombed.—International.

RAIDERS REPULSED

Canton, April 18.
The Japanese air raiders continued their routine destructive work here this morning. At 9.10 a.m. an alarm was sounded.

To-day's raid was carried out by Japanese raiders in three groups, which raided a number of places around Canton including Whampoa, Namkang, Wu Wop Hui, Fat Ling Shi, and Wangshek. About one o'clock this afternoon three Japanese bombers were seen heading for this city, but they were all repulsed by heavy anti-aircraft fire. No damage was done and no bombs have been dropped within the city proper, though many released on Wangshek on the Canton-Hankow Railway.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

Hitler Dominant In Europe: Is Really Entrenched Now

HAS BUILT UP GERMAN NATION IN FIVE YEARS

By WEBB MILLER

United Press Staff Correspondent

BERLIN.
ADOLF HITLER IS THE DOMINANT RULER IN EUROPE TO-DAY AND NEVER BEFORE IN THE FIVE YEARS OF THE NAZI REGIME HAS HE BEEN MORE FIRMLY ENTRENCHED AT HOME.

Studying him as he made his speech to the German nation on February 19 in the Kroll Opera House one realized that here was the man, above all others in Europe, who by diplomacy and gestures of force had lifted himself into the saddle of Middle Europe.

Events confirmed that impression when I returned to the United Press office here and read that in London Foreign Minister Anthony Eden had resigned because of a British Cabinet split over policy toward Germany; that in Rome Mussolini, Hitler's ally, was silent, and that his silence apparently gave consent to what the Fuehrer had said; that the people in the streets of Vienna had responded to the speech with loud "Heils" and that millions of ears were close to radios in the Balkans.

His black hair tumbling across his forehead, his arms waving, Hitler, who was born outside the boundaries of Germany had shouted:

"In five years I have built up the German army. Nobody doubts that I am the leader of the Reich."

At the beginning of his sixth year in power Hitler has a stronger grasp on a nation of 65,000,000 persons than ever before.

His prestige has been immensely enhanced by his first successful steps in Nazifying the German army and diplomatic corps.

He has taken a long stride toward fulfilment of his ambition to create a "greater Germany" by beginning a virtual political assimilation of Austria.

He has brought about a "bloodless purge" of the army command without shaking Nazi influence among the men who fight the battles—the common soldiers.

Hitler's policy appears to be a sort of jigsaw puzzle into which new pieces are fitted whenever time suits him to place them there. At the time of his speech, he had already fitted in some pieces, but there still are gaps because of the extraordinary secrecy that surrounds anything concerning the army and because of the Nazi drastic and effective control of sources of information.

RECENT ARMY PURGE

It is difficult to understand the recent army purge unless it is kept in mind that under Nazi ideology the party is the state and thus any disaffection toward the party constitutes disaffection toward the state. It is well known that many of the higher placed German army officers always held themselves aloof from the Nazi regime that preceded it.

Public opinion that many of these officers regarded the Nazis as upstarts; that they thoroughly disagreed with such important phases of Nazi policy as the attitude toward the church and toward political education within the army.

This attitude persists despite Hitler's generous treatment of the army. He gave it almost unlimited money. He doubled its size. He brought back into active service many of the old Prussian officers who almost constitute a caste in Germany. He restored these officers to power, realizing full well that they would be a potential menace to the Nazis in any critical situation.

Twice at least—during the occupation of the Rhineland and when Hitler embarked upon his policy of intervention in the Spanish war—army officers attempted to restrain him. He ignored their advice.

CAUGHT BETWEEN TWO FORCES

For months Hitler has been caught between two forces, the army and Nazi officialdom. To the Nazis, the attitude of the high army officers was a serious offence. They urged Hitler to deal with this virtual "state within a state" and bring everyone into allegiance to the swastika. In the light of what has happened since, it develops that Hitler merely was waiting



HERR HITLER
"Black Hair Tumbling Across
His Forehead."

ELECTRIC WONDER HOSPITAL

CLEAN, SMOKELESS
AND SILENT

Hospital architects and managers throughout the world will watch with interest the operation of an all-electric hospital at Hobart, Tasmania, to be finished in two years.

A world search was made for the largest all-electric boiler ever built in a hospital. It will be installed in a central position to obviate heat losses and will supply a hot water radiation heating system. The four operating theatres will have special air conditioning systems whereby the air will be filtered, scrubbed and heated by electric coils. Fans will exhaust the air from rooms where steam might produce excessive humidity.

In all the kitchen operations, electricity will be used and electrically heated food trolleys will, keep the hot dishes at the right temperature, states Austral News.

Electric service at each patient's bedside will include separate and limited lights which can be switched on by the patient without disturbing others. A button, pushed by the patient, will turn on lights over the bed, the ward door, and at various points where nurses work, so that there will be minimum delay in attention. The lights cannot be extinguished until the nurse presses a secret button at the bedside. A paging light system links the whole hospital.

The Tasmanian government will foot the bill for the hospital electric power (the cheapest in Australia) which will be drawn from State undertakings.

ITALIAN TROOPS MUST NOT SWEAR

Rome.
The Biblical commandment against blasphemy is being enforced energetically throughout the ranks of the Italian army. Posters have been pasted on walls of all military barracks. They read: "Blasphemy dishonours soldiers. Swearing is forbidden by article 274 of the Penal Code and by article 51 of the army regulations."

lieve that any officers have fled the country.

There is one paragraph in Hitler's autobiography, "Mein Kampf," which explains the basic reason for the army purge:—

"National Socialism imperiously demands the exclusive and unqualified recognition of the whole of public life, in accordance with its view. It is, therefore, unable to tolerate the co-existence of anything that represents a past state of affairs."—United Press.

Claim Junks Attacked War Vessel

Shanghai, Apr. 18.

The allegation that a number of armed Chinese junk and speed boats were using Portuguese waters in South China as bases for raids on Japanese warships, was made by the Japanese naval spokesman to-day.

The spokesman began by stating that 17 armed junks and one speed boat, painted white and armed with machine-guns, attacked a "certain Japanese warship" yesterday in the South China seas.

The Japanese warship returned the fire, the spokesman said, sinking several junks, but some escaped and also the speed boat. They took refuge in Portuguese waters.

Hereupon the spokesman declared: "We know of two or three similar speed boats operating secretly against the Japanese from bases in Portuguese waters. Also there are a number of armed junks."

Asked whether the matter would be the subject of a protest, the spokesman said: "That is a matter for Tokyo."—Reuter.

U-BOATS OFF PEARL RIVER

Canton, Apr. 18.

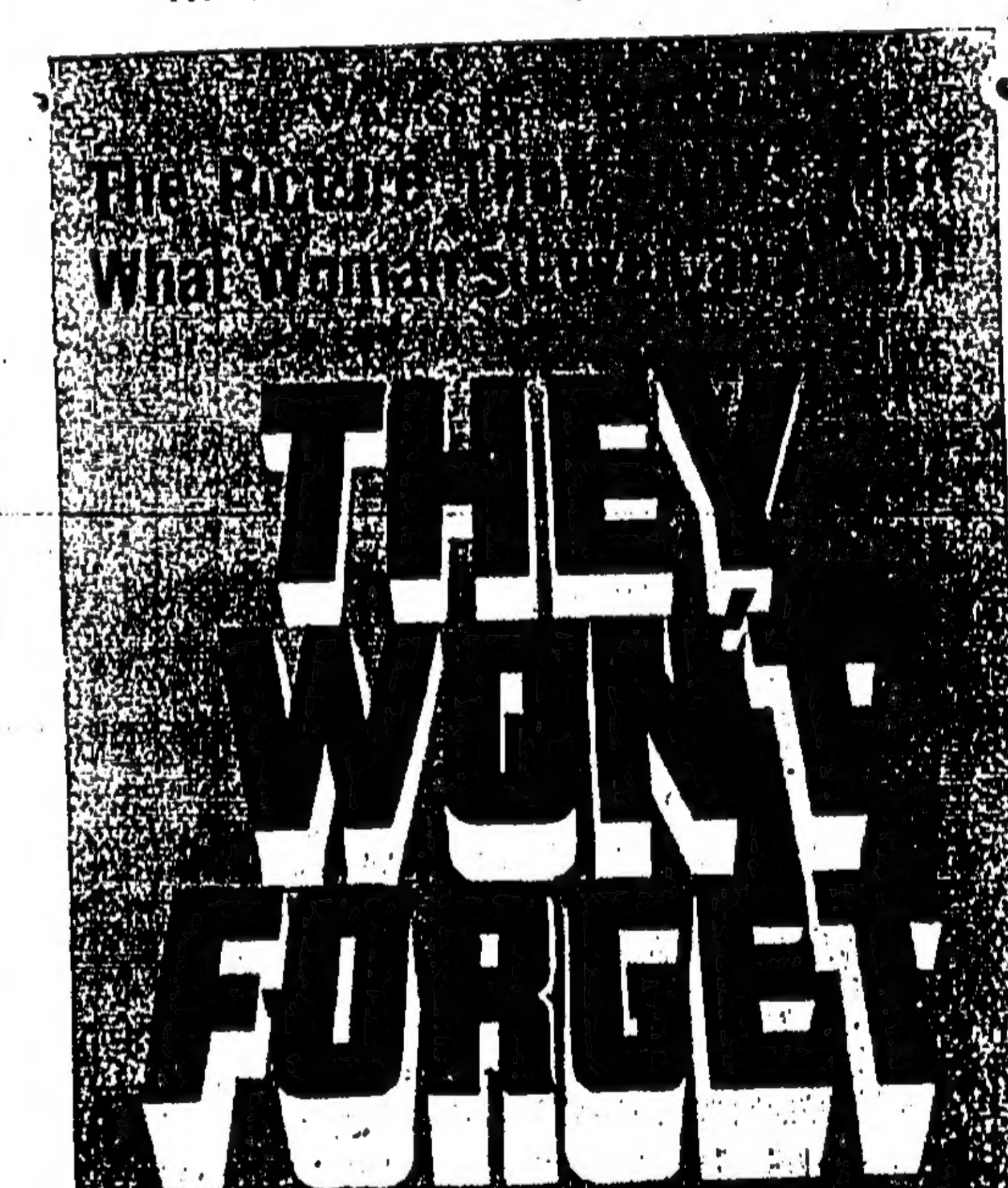
Several fishermen reported to-day that two Japanese submarines were recently sighted off the mouth of the Pearl River, doing reconnoitering work at several points.

Yesterday the Japanese U-boats were seen to steam near British waters in the vicinity of Tayushan.—Central News.

rial or components for the ship.

Glass-workers, instrument makers, lock-smiths, paint-makers, even upholsterers, play their part. It may not be a large part. But it is nevertheless an important part. And it is because the vessel is the outcome of constant experimentation and careful compromise, and because she is built by the carefully blended efforts of British craftsmen in all sorts of different trades, that she grows into a vessel worth every penny of her price and capable of contributing to the maximum possible degree to the security of the Empire and the people who made her.

TO-MORROW AT THE QUEEN'S



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PERENNIAL
PROBLEM

People who own motor cars and matsheds and are able to make use of them through the weeks of hot weather now approaching are singularly fortunate. There is another strata of society not quite so fortunate, and mainly Chinese, which is able to walk or cycle or travel by bus to the more accessible seashore on Saturday afternoons and Sundays. On Easter Sunday hundreds of these latter invaded the beaches and it must be admitted the result was not entirely satisfactory from the point of view of the "regular customer." Scores of little people scattered - sand and orange peel and bits of greasy paper, and got under foot. Large parties camped right at the door-step of the matshed-dwellers and practically spoiled the day for a good many people. The philosophical said: "It doesn't happen very often." But, nevertheless, they were not pleased. They pay their fifty dollars a year to the Government for the right to build a matshed and they pay a contractor anywhere from four hundred to fifteen hundred dollars to erect their summer shelters and they feel they have a right to a certain amount of privacy, if not exclusiveness. And so they have. But the beaches are public property and there can be no legislation to prevent anyone who has the energy to walk or the money to ride to them getting what enjoyment is possible there.

There are two or three things which might be done, however, to improve the situation. For instance, there might be some sort of beach supervision; rules which would prevent the nomadic tent dweller from pitching his camp in such a place that he shuts out the view and the cool sea breezes from the permanent inhabitant. There might be receptacles provided for the refuse from the feast; and somebody to see that they were used for the purpose. And there might be some sort of structure to serve the children in search of a public convenience, and somebody to see that it is used for the purposes for which it is intended. These are matters in which the authorities could exert themselves without hurting anyone's feelings. There is another suggestion, too, which is put with some trepidation, for it is by way of being a luxury plan. But it would be enormously useful if picnic places, at a little distance from the beaches, could be provided, with trestle tables and benches.

THE "VERY IDEA"

"ALASKA AND A-LASS," AS ESKIMOS SAY

By Eddie "Below Zero" Kelly

A COUPLE of summers ago we were in Greenland.

Now, there's a place!

We were boarding with a young married couple in a semi-detached igloo.

We shared the igloo with several other couples, as the refugee problem—several people like ourselves had fled to Greenland to escape Hongkong's summer—had created quite a rent problem.

The Greenland government was dickered between building some more igloos and fixing the rent at 25 dried fish per month. It appeared that rent would be fixed as most of the ice was required for adding to whiskies and sodas.

In the meantime the permanent igloolers, who were always having children, solved the problem of space by feeding their brats to dogs, otherwise, as they explained to us, they couldn't possibly find accommodation for refugees.

The dogs were half St. Bernard, half wolf and half Alaskan. Very savage. You had to hit them across the back with an axe to keep them from gnawing you. It was very agnawing. The food was plain but varied. Fried walrus one day; perhaps a bit of roast penguin the next day, or a fillet of whale. A fillet of whale may sound like a lie to you, but up in those parts you get an appetite that a mad hyena would be afraid to howl at.

We've eaten raw polar bear for hors d'oeuvres. Dilettantes eat them while they're still rawling.

We had to leave Greenland in the end. We found that the Aurora Borealis didn't agree with us.

It tastes something like vodka, but it has a terrible effect on the stomach. Since we returned to Hongkong, we have had to be very careful about our stomach. We can't take food, and we are on a strict diet of whisky, beer, gin, brandy, rum and very occasionally, as a special treat, a drop of stout.

We often pine for the carefree existence of the frozen north. And beautiful Mphistatokoki.

There's a girl for you. Her nature was so passionate that when we started clinching the igloo used to melt.

It seems years and years since we thaw her.

The Building of a Battleship

By
Lieut.-Commander
K. EDWARDS

R.N. (Ret.)

THE modern battleship costs £7,000,000—not a sum to be lightly spent, even by a Government.

In normal times the money available for the Navy is strictly limited, so that the decision to build a battleship involves economies in other directions such as the curtailing of cruiser or destroyer building. To-day the situation is rather different.

Rearmament is the order of the day, and the Government has said that no considerations are to weigh against the rapid attainment of security. But there is still no room for waste. The maximum degree of security must be got out of every penny spent, and skilled men cannot be spared to build a ship which is not to contribute some vital factor to the scheme of defence.

There are people who seem to think that the question of building a battleship is decided simply by a choker and heavily gold-laced admiral who

They would have to be free or they would not be used by those for whom they are intended.

And finally—and this is the remedy for the whole of the overweighing problem—new and bigger beaches should be made accessible to the general public; or alternatively, the old ones made more accessible, and more remote resorts opened up for the matshed or summer cottage dweller. It is natural that the "bus picnicer" should find his way in large numbers to Repulse Bay, for instance, and it is quite out of the question to place any restrictions in his way. But there are other places, on the Island and the mainland, where the general public has not yet made inroads, and which might be reserved for the more well-to-do who desire privacy and are willing to pay for it. It is suggested in all seriousness that the revenue which is derived from the matshed communities might very well be spent for developing beaches and picnic places for the less fortunate among the people of this Colony. Perhaps in such a scheme is the seed for the solution for a perennial problem, which commences to be a distinct nuisance to a good many people and which eventually will be really serious unless Hongkong grapples with it determinedly.

thumps the table in the Admiralty and declares: "There shall be battleships." This is a delightful fiction. The decision to build even one battleship is taken by the whole Board of Admiralty only after deep and earnest consideration of barrow-lands of evidence.

Much of this evidence is not, strictly, Admiralty evidence at all, but concerns carefully weighed Cabinet decisions regarding the state of foreign relations and the justifiable expectation of peace. Then there are reports from naval attaches and from the Commander-in-Chief of foreign stations concerning the plans of other naval Powers. To-day there is yet another question to be considered. That is whether the great advances made in air power have rendered the battleship obsolete as a weapon of war. This is not a question which is decided by argument. The evidence of large numbers of highly technical experiments has to be examined and impartially have to be kept secret. It is obviously bad policy to broadcast the results of experiments which one believes will enable one to build a better ship than anybody else.

If the sum total of all these questions points without doubts to the need for the building of battleships, the Admiralty will recommend that battleships shall be built—provided, of course, that such a step is not forbidden by any disarmament treaty, as it has been for the last six years. Then the Cabinet considers the recommendation of the Admiralty in the light of many questions of foreign policy. If the answer remains for security, the building of such a ship will be authorised under the Navy Estimates or a Supplementary Estimate presented to Parliament.

But there is also the question of what the new battleship is to be like. This is a question which can only be arrived at by the consideration of all manner of different factors. The consideration is always before the Admiralty; not because the Admiralty is always wanting to build battleships, but because, were it not so, much time might elapse after the authorisation of a ship before the design could be approved, and even then there would be a great chance of mistakes being made. It is only by keeping designs constantly up to date on paper that a truly efficient ship can be built when required.

First among the factors determining the design of battleship are the limitations imposed by treaty. At present these are 35,000 tons and 14-inch guns. Within these limits dozens of different "requirements" have to be juggled about before it is certain that the design will be a compromise giving a maximum possible efficiency in every department.

The requirements are drawn from many different sources. In the first place there are the plans of foreign navies. It is obviously useless to build a ship which will be inferior to those with whom it may have to fight. Then there are the findings deduced from the results of war games and fleet exercises carried out. From these the Commander-in-Chief have formed the opinion that the ideal battleship shall have certain qualities of speed, armament, facility in manoeuvring, armour protection, and steaming radius. Then the technicians step in. The gunnery experts will advocate cer-

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"There wouldn't be war scares if ALL the nations disarmed Suhl!"
—The Confederacy has disarmed, Suhl!"

Do You SEE ENOUGH of YOUR SON?

By
J. H. Storrington

SIR PAUL LATHAM, Bart., M.P., has announced that he will not seek re-election to Parliament because he wishes to spend as much time as possible with his son, who is now three years old, and will in a few years' time go to boarding school.

His decision seems to have evoked a certain measure of surprise. I have nothing but admiration for the member for Scarborough.

Now we must be clear in our minds as to exactly what Sir Paul has done. He has not given up a career by which he derives his income, he has put aside an interest involving a considerable amount of work and a great expenditure of time, and offering little enough reward, so as to give his time to his child.

I have found great happiness in making decisions of a similar sort.

Time Begrudged

If we look around us we shall see how slight and grudging is the share of time and thought which most fathers yield to their boys in their younger years...

Until a child is five or six it is, according to the economic standing of the house, left in the hands of its mother or nurse.

At the age of six or seven the boy attends some school, a prep. school (usually as a boarder) if there is the money, so as to prepare for public or secondary school later.

In the holidays a father takes a certain notice of the child and continues his golf, his bridge, his darts, or his club as spirit moves him.

His own experience, his knowledge, his ideas very rarely guide with the lad, and the understanding and affection between father and son only occasionally rank with those between mother and son.

Now, speaking of normal cases, there is, in my opinion, no tutor in the world from whom a boy can learn so much as from his father. I had this brought sharply to my notice when my own boy was about six.

I was fond of the little fellow, naturally, but he irritated me as much as he evoked my affection. His eternal questions interrupted my reading and other pursuits.

THEN one day he asked me something about a horse. I gave him the first answer that came to my head. There was silence for a considerable time, and though I continued reading I became conscious that all was not well beneath the yellow curls.

I glanced his way and saw that the little mouth was very down at the corners and there was something very shiny about the blue eyes. I felt like a big cad, dropped my book and swept the child on to my lap and asked him with the sad looks betokened.

"You never answer my questions," he said in voice that was trying with desperation not to sob, "I hear you talking with other people and you tell them such interesting things."

"I try to remember some of them and ask you about them when the people have gone, but you answer me like a baby. I wanted to know if a man on a bicycle could go as fast as a horse, and you said: 'Downhill with the wind behind him'..."

That little speech and a lot that followed woke me from my utter selfishness. I realised that I had invited this little man into the world, into my house, and I was treating him as a nuisance.

So hard did remorse strike me that I actually tried to plan his education at my own hands.

I wondered if it would not be best for me to teach him myself during his prep. days. To do so entirely I found impossible because of the need to work for my living. But I threw up golf and tennis and gave the time to him.

He Had Changed

LOVE of the task grew on me, and I forsook my clubs in my enjoyment of the response which came from the child.

And I found from his first school report onwards that I had enabled him to accumulate so much knowledge and to reason so well that he took his place with other boys with considerable advantage.

His first holidays were at once the saddest and the happiest moments of my life. I tried to renew the old relations, to search his mind for the marks of the new experience and smooth or deepen them with my mature knowledge. I suggested some of the games we used to play.

But something was amiss. He had changed. He sought the friendship of other boys and his conversation left me no openings. Daily he left me for other company.

Rebel Daughter of Queen Victoria, 90, Has Quiet Birthday

SHE IS OLDEST MEMBER OF ROYAL FAMILY

London. **FEW** people realise that in the seclusion of Kensington Palace there lives a daughter of Queen Victoria who celebrated her ninetieth birthday this month.

She is Princess Louise, the old Queen's eldest surviving child and the oldest member of the Royal Family.

Owing to her great age she will celebrate her birthday on Friday next very quietly at the Palace, her mother's birthplace.

She, herself, was one of the few babies born at Buckingham Palace.

HER "TREAT"

There will be no party on Friday, and the Princess will receive no visitors except close relatives, but hundreds of letters and greetings are already arriving from her friends. One of her birthday treats will be enjoying the view over Kensington Gardens which the recent sunshine has made exceptionally gay for the time of year.

Her brother, the eighty-eight-year-old Duke of Connaught, has arranged to call at Kensington with his birthday offerings before leaving for his country residence at Bingham.

Princess Louise was a beauty in her youth and is still one of the best-looking members of the royal family.

BORN IN '48

She has sat for her portrait to famous artists, including Winterhalter, yet she hates being photographed and boasts that she is the Princess who is never recognised. Formerly she would travel the Continent as Mrs. Campbell, unattended and unknown.

Born in '48, "the year of European revolt," she was a pioneer among rebel daughters.

Again and again she has been the first royal lady to make some particularly democratic gesture. She was the first Princess of the Blood for many generations to marry out of the royal circle.

"DEAR MAMMA"

It was this marriage which set the precedent which has been followed as recently as the wedding of the present Duke of Gloucester.

Bomb Comedy on King's Tour

A "bomb," which turned out to be two pairs of socks, greatly amused the King when he visited the Earl's Court section of the British Industries Fair, says a correspondent.

When the Queen went to Earl's Court on Monday, she ordered the socks at the new kind, which need no suspender—for the King. The inventor of the socks, Mr. J. Nichol, decided to present them personally.

With a cardboard box under his arm, he took up his position on a gangway. Suddenly he found himself surrounded by police, who asked him to step outside and show them what the box contained.

Mr. Nichol stepped out. There was a moment of tense expectation. Mr. Nichol whipped off the lid of the box—disclosing the socks. Apologies followed.

Hurrying back to his place in the gangway, Mr. Nichol met the King, presented the socks, and told him what had happened. The King roared with laughter.

"The police seemed to think I had a bomb," Mr. Nichol said to me later. "The King was immensely amused. He said: 'If you will stand about with a box, you must expect to be collared.'"

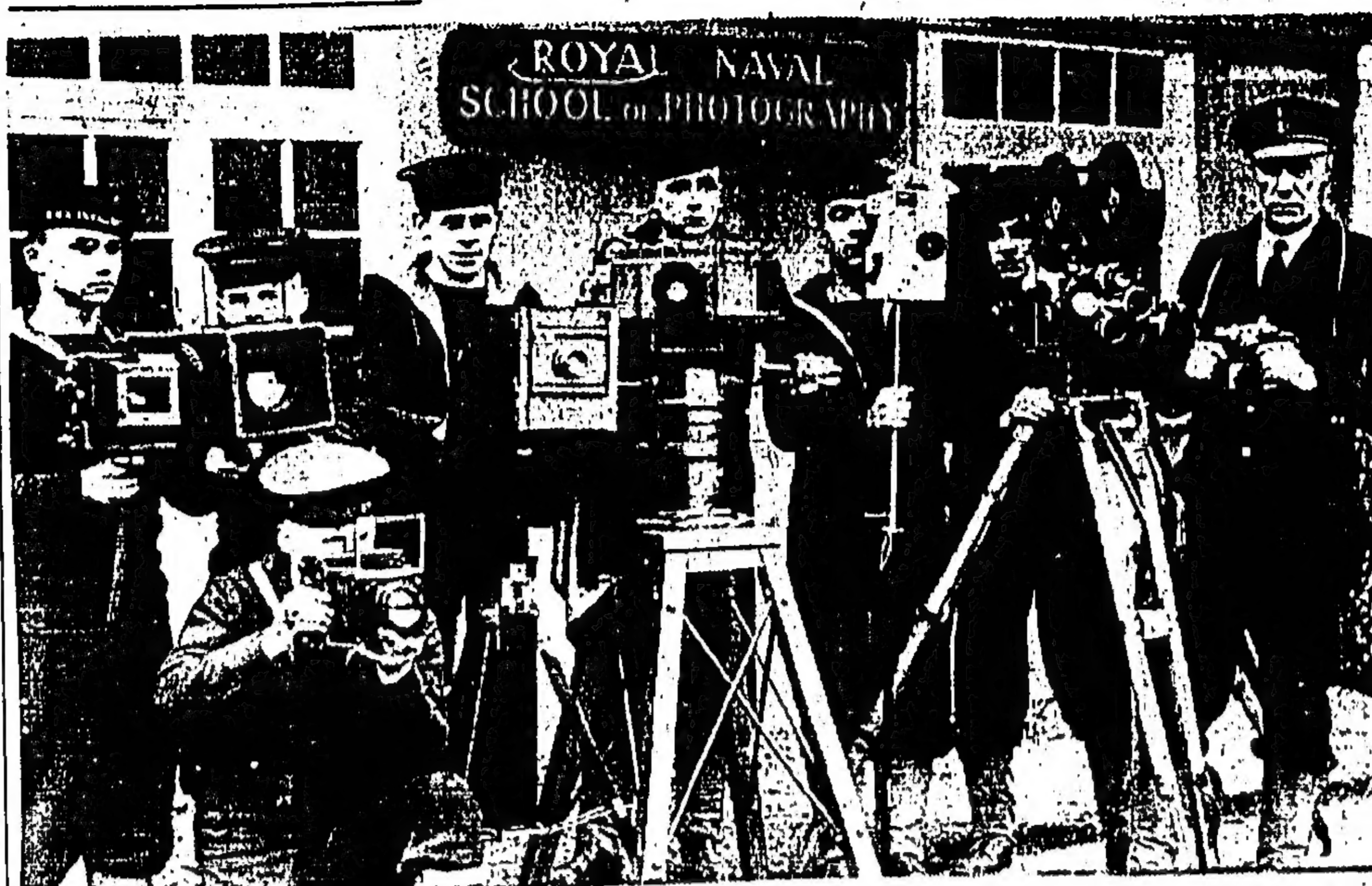
Fred Perry in Airport —Scene

Miami, Florida. Fred Perry, the tennis star, was nearly left behind when he arrived at the airport here to-day, with Ellsworth Vines and others en route for Nassau, Bahamas. All because of an argument with a United States revenue officer.

Allegedly leaving the United States must have paid income tax due or have posted a bond equal to the previous year's payment, and Perry is alleged to have refused to comply with these regulations.

Eventually when Perry threatened to board the machine the airline officials said that they would be forced to refuse his passage. Then Ellsworth Vines solved the problem by guaranteeing Perry's return to the United States and also his income tax.

THE NAVY STARTS ITS OWN HOLLYWOOD AT SEA



THE BRITISH NAVY has opened a school on Whale Island, Portsmouth, to train their own photographers and cine cameramen. The picture shows some pupils outside the school with a few of the many types of cameras used by the sailor photographers.

50,000 Cheer Mothers- In-Law In Texas

New York.

FOUNDED on the remorse of a local newspaper editor, whose version of the mother-in-law joke made a friend's wife's mother cry, Texas is celebrating to-day its Mother-in-law Festival.

The day is thus designated by proclamation of Governor James Allred. Cheered by huge crowds, 500 mothers-in-law drove through the streets of Amarillo.

WOOD CARVING TAUGHT

BERKELEY, Cal.—Wood carving is undergoing such a veritable renaissance, especially in the western states where fine woods are cheap, that the University of California has inaugurated a wood carving course for adults.

Mrs. Roosevelt, first lady in the United States, and herself a mother-in-law, was among the spectators of the five-mile-long parade.

Later the wife of the President made a speech extolling mothers-in-law and pleading on their behalf for greater sympathy.

Amarillo describes itself as the "centre of the mother-in-law belt." The contrite, sentimental editor started the idea; it then swept the whole State, and this year 50,000 visitors were attracted to the town to-day for the "biggest ever" celebration of the festival.

THE EMBLEM

Its sponsors are joined by efforts to make commercial capital from the beautiful thought behind the parade, and are coming down heavily on tree stores, offering mothers-in-law free ice-cream sodas.

P.S.—If you're stirred by the mental picture of this Texan festival, and wish to salute your own mother-in-law, the correct gesture is to send her sweet peas.

They were selected as their emblem for the day by the vote of Amarillo mother-in-law clubs.

JAP. SWORD FOR DICTATORS



HERR HITLER and Signor Mussolini will be presented with Japanese swords by the Young Men's Federal Association of Japan in commemoration of the Three Power Convention between the countries. The picture shows the sword designed for Hitler.

CAT UPSET THE POLICE FORCE

Santa Rosa, Cal. An automatic burglar alarm enabled the police to make an unusual catch here. Seizing their guns and gas masks, the entire police staff rushed to the building indicated and cautiously working their way in discovered a cat attempting to pull the carcass of a rabbit through the sky light. The rabbit's body had broken one of the contact wires, setting off the alarm.

RADIO BROADCAST

Eva Turner (Soprano)
From the Studio
ROTARY SPEECH

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.'s, 9.52 m.c.'s. per second.

12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Raymond Newell (Baritone).
Let Me Love You To-Night (Grey, Waller and Tunbridge); Here's To Life (Talbot and Atkinson); Mandelstam (R. Kipling and C. Willeby).

12.40 New Light Symphony Orchestra.
Bufo (Confrey); Liebestraume (Liszt); Kammermusik—Op. 10, No. 22 (Rubinstein); "La Boheme"—Selection.

1.0 Time and Weather.
1.05 Greta Keller and Primo Scala's Accordion Band.
Six Hits Of The Day, No. 14, Accordion Band; A Little Rumble In Springtime With You, Greta Keller; "On With The Show," The Selection, Accordion Band; The Laugh Was On Me (Strachey, Carter); When I Learn French (Thomson), Greta Keller; Six Hits Of The Day, No. 16, Accordion Band.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.
1.40 Rotary Tiffin Speech relayed from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

2.15 Close Down.
6.0-7.0 Chinese Programme.
7.0 Dance Music.

Fox-Trots — Goody-Goody: It's Been So Long (From "The Great Ziegfeld"), Benny Goodman and His Orchestra, vocal refrain by Helen Ward; Rumba; Fox-Trot—La Cucaracha; Tango—A Media Luz.

Orchestra Tipica Roberto Firpo with vocal refrain; Fox-Trots—The Jester; The Ten Dolls Parade; Fox Bravour Dance Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—A Little Bit Independent; Will Love Find A Way, Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orchestra with vocal chorus; Waltzes—Raisins And Almonds; Rehearsing A Lullaby, Phil Green and His Rhythm with vocal chorus.

7.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.
7.32 Variety.
Vocal—Peter's Pop Keeps A Lollipop Shop; I'm An Old Cow-Hand From The Rio Grande, The Rocky Mountaineers accomp. by The Bunk House Boys; Banjo Solo—White Rose (Oakley); Tony (Oakley), Olly Oakley (Banjo) with piano accomp.; Vocal—Tumbling Tumble Weeds (Nolan); Gumbo Home, Jack Savage and His Cowboys; Novelty—Top Liners Of Variety (Compared by John Watt).

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.
8.03 Bizet—Symphony No. 1 In C Major.
Played by The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Walter Goehr.

8.36 Studio—A Recital by Eva Turner (Soprano) accompanied by Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano).
1. Recit. and Air: No more shall I be a Slave; Beneath the Vine, From Solomon (1748)—(Handel); 2. Pastoral (arr. Lane Wilson); 3. Over The Mountains (arr. Quilter); 4. Piano Solo—Lindsay A. Lafford; 5. Spring's Arrival (Schumann); 6.

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YOUNG COUPLE WERE DRUG AGENT VICTIMS

A young Mayfair wife of twenty-nine has learned that the agent of a West End drug trafficking ring, who planned revenge on herself and her husband by "planting" drugs on them, has done no more than ruin all their hopes of prosperity in their early married life.

The revenge had failed in its main object—sending her husband to prison.

Mrs. Brenda Clement heard with relief that her twenty-nine-year-old husband, Robert Edward Clement, had won an appeal at the London Sessions against a sentence of three months' hard labour for possessing 116 grains of heroin.

His partner in a West End club, Thomas Robert Brookins, coloured singer, who had also been sentenced, also won his appeal. Both men were awarded fifteen guineas costs.

DISTRIBUTION OF DRUGS

"Bob opened his dining and billiards club in the West End in November," explained Mrs. Clement to the Daily Express. "I backed it with £1,000. We hoped to make £2,000 a year, and a month later we married."

"We found that a certain man was using the club, as we suspected, for distributing drug supplies to West End clients."

"When we cleared him out he said, 'I'll get even, if it's the last thing I do. Get as much as you can out of the club and get out.'"

Then the police, who had received a telephone call from Paris, came to the club. They found a registered envelope containing packets of powder addressed to myself and my husband, and another to Brookins.

"They had been sent from Paris. Bob and Brookins were arrested."

TRIED TO INVOLVE WIFE

"A week later, when the person in Paris found that I had not been arrested, he sent another letter to me alone, counting on the fact that the police would probably be watching our mail."

"That letter said, 'Give me new address quick. Contact is bad. Jones.' It meant nothing and the trick didn't work. The police did not arrest me. When Brookins and my husband were convicted that was the end of everything."

"The club is shut up, we have the premises on our hands for three years and we are ruined."

"I think I've suffered most through this. It's been awful. And now—fifteen guineas costs, that's all."

Pawned Infant To Buy Drugs

BARBARA BOARD, pretty, young globe-trotter, is just back in Britain after amazing adventures among drug addicts.

Miss Board lived in the home of a peasant family in a little Egyptian village.

"One night my landlord, thinking I was asleep, came to the door of his house, undid a mysterious little white packet, and took out a tiny steel dagger," she writes in a book on her experiences, just published.

"I watched him bend his head over the paper, then saw with amazement that he was making an incision in his left arm."

"It was about 3 in. long and fairly deep, and must have pained him considerably, but he did not cry out. He just pressed it open with the knife as if he had been used to doing it every night."

"I saw some white powder flash on the blade of the knife, then watched him inserting the powder into the open wound. He was taking heroin."

"Stranger still," she goes on, "was the story of the father who bought cocaine for ten pence (two shillings), leaving his baby with the seller until he should bring the money. It was 15 days before he returned to redeem the child."

GENE TUNNEY IS WORRIED

New York. **POOR** Gene Tunney, ex-heavyweight champion of the world, cannot knock out the shadow of his own reputation in the ring. It follows him everywhere.

Gene is head of a distillery company in Los Angeles, but everywhere he tries to sell spirits he meets with the same trouble.

"People aren't interested in what I think about the drinks," he complained. "It's chances in the ring they're worried about. They'd much sooner know what I think about Schuppeling and Louis."—Central News.

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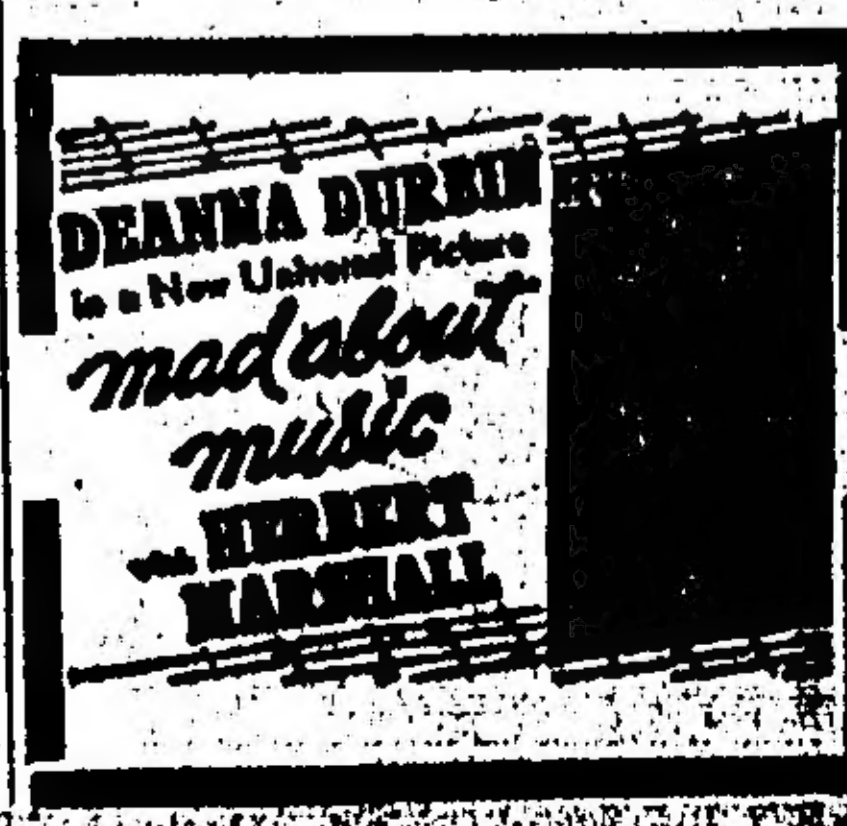
SKULLS MAKE RAIN

New York.

Indians in Dakota have regained two human skulls which years ago their tribe possessed to bring rain. The Indians believe that the skulls belonged to "spirits" who visited earth in human form.

Directly a missionary took the skulls from the tribe 30 years ago the rainfall fell by several inches every year.

And it has remained low ever since.



ARSENAL'S HOPES NOW SERIOUSLY JEOPARDISED

ONE POINT WON FROM THREE ENCOUNTERS

WOLVES' PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHTEST AT PRESENT

London, Apr. 18. The Arsenal seriously jeopardised their chances of winning the championship of the First Division of the English Football League by their failure in the Easter matches. In three games played during the holidays, they could take only one point. They lost twice to Brentford.

Though held to a draw by Leicester to-day, the Wolves are in a very favourable position. They are now on level terms with the Gunners, but they have two matches in hand.

Sheffield United have taken the lead in the Second Division, but though they are two points ahead of Aston Villa, the latter have no fewer than four matches in hand.

Sheffield United to-day won two more points, this time at the expense of Tottenham, while the Villa players were beaten by Swansea.

Results were as follows:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Bolton	2	Manchester C.	1
Brentford	3	Arsenal	0
Charlton	4	Blackpool	1
Derby	0	Huddersfield	4
Leicester	1	Wolves	1
Liverpool	1	Middlesbrough	1
Portsmouth	3	Gillingham	0
Preston N.E.	0	Chelsea	0
Stoke	0	Leeds	1
Sunderland	2	Everton	1
West Brom.	4	Birmingham	3

LEAGUE TABLE

Teams	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Arsenal	39	18	10	11	68	43	46
Wolves	37	18	10	9	66	45	46
Preston	38	15	15	8	61	41	45
Brentford	39	18	8	13	67	52	44
Charlton	37	16	11	10	61	44	43

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley	1	Coventry	1
Blackburn	1	Sheffield W.	0
Bradford	3	Sheffield F.	2
Luton	2	Nottingham	0
Manchester U.	4	Burnley	2
Norwich	1	Newcastle	1
Plymouth	2	West Ham	1
Sheffield U.	1	Tottenham	0
Southampton	4	Fulham	0
Stockport	0	Bury	1
Swansea	2	Aston Villa	1

LEAGUE TABLE

Teams	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Sheffield U.	40	21	9	10	69	53	51
Aston Villa	39	21	7	11	61	29	49
Coventry	38	19	11	8	63	40	49
Manchester U.	39	20	9	10	77	48	40

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bristol R.	2	Cardiff	1
Exeter	0	Reading	2
Gillingham	2	Crystal Pal.	4

Last Quarter-Final Tennis Tie To-day

The remaining quarter-final match in the Open Doubles of the Tennis Championships, between Wong Shu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung, of the Chinese R.C., and H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce, of the Hongkong C.C., will be decided this afternoon on the stand court. The winners of the tie will meet S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn for the right to enter the final.

Middlesex Entertains Press Team

Billiards, Snooker And Table Tennis

The Middlesex Regiment last evening entertained a Hongkong Press team to an enjoyable billiards, snooker and table tennis encounter at Shamshuipo.

RESULTS: BILLIARDS

Pte. Attridge	120	R. Goldman	71
Pte. Mellor	118	A. T. Lee	120
Pte. Hatchett	120	J. L. Anderson	95
Pte. Coombes	120	N. A. E.	—

RESULTS: SNOOKER

Mellor and Attridge (Middlesex)	36	Goldman and Lee, 53
Groom and Gorman (Middlesex)	55	Anderson and Mackay 54

RESULTS: TABLE TENNIS

Goldman (Press) beat Attridge 21-11, 17-21, 21-15; Coombes (Middlesex) beat Burnett 22-20, 20-22, 21-18; Mellor beat Lee 21-0, 22-20.

RESULTS: SNOOKER

Mellor and Attridge (Middlesex)	102	W. J. Keates and G. C. Burnett, 117
Dawes and Aldridge (Middlesex)	73	Goldman and Burnett 46

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JESSE OWENS WANTS TO BE AMATEUR AGAIN

London. Officials of the International Athletic Association in Paris have been discussing the case of Jesse Owens, the coloured American sprinter who created such a furore at the Olympic Games and has since turned professional.

Owens recently asked for reinstatement as an amateur, but in the opinion of American officials this was not possible.

International Athletic Association officials agree with the opinion of the American authorities. They consider that if Owens was to be reinstated it would open the way to all sorts of similar requests.

—Reuter.



The South China team which defeated the Navy in the Kotevall Cup by seven goals to nil at Soekunpoo yesterday, photographed after they had won the trophy. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

KOTEWALL CUP WON BY SOUTH CHINA IN EASY FASHION

Navy Completely Outplayed In Yesterday's Soccer Game

Already with a victory over the Army to their credit, South China A.A. carried off the Kotevall Cup yesterday by defeating the Royal Navy by seven goals to nil at Soekunpoo.

Perhaps owing to the short notice of the match, there was not as big a crowd as might have been expected for a holiday fixture of such importance; but in any case, the game was far too one-sided to be really interesting, and those who stayed away did not miss very much. Almost right from the start, the Chinese asserted their superiority, and as soon as Lee Shek-yung, their left-winger had scored the first goal, that the Chinese would win comfortably became apparent.

The South China forwards were combining too well together to brook of any interference by the Navy defenders, who were out-paced and outplayed. Blair, the right half, tried hard to stem the tide, but though he succeeded in some measure, the other halves were unable to cope with Chan Tak-fai and Co.

Five goals up at the interval, the Chinese took things rather easily in the second period. As so often the case when they have a match in their grasp, the Chinese indulged in a great deal of close inter-passing, which was pretty to watch but seldom took them nearer to the Navy goal. However, it delighted their supporters.

Chan Tak-fai led the scoring with four goals, followed by Lai Shu-wing with two and Lee Shek-yung one. S.C.A.A.—Tam Kwan-kon; Li Tinsang, Mak Shui-hon; Leung Wing-shui, Lau Hing-choi, Tse Kum-hung, Tang Kwong-sum, Lai Shui-wing, Chan Tak-fai, Lau Chung-sang, Lee Shek-yung.

Navy: Woolford; Tozer, Naughton; Blair, Dixon, Delford; Spiller, Armstrong, Morris, Hunt, Page.

NEW YORK YANKEES SURPRISED

Humbled By Boston Red Sox

New York, Apr. 18. The 1938 Baseball season in the United States opened to-day with a surprise result, the New York Yankees, World Series winners last year, being humbled in their first game by the Boston Red Sox.

The Yankees collected four runs from six hits, but the Red Sox sent eight men across the home plate from 11 hits. Chapman hit a home run for the Boston outfit.

President Roosevelt threw the first ball in the game between the Philadelphia Athletics and the Washington Senators.

No fewer than 20 runs were scored in this encounter, the Senators claiming 12 and the Athletics eight. Lewis and Bonura hit for the circuit for the Senators.—Reuter.

Why Bernard Joy Remains An Amateur

London. "Why doesn't Joy turn professional?" many are driven to ask when they come away from a match after seeing a magnificent display by Arsenal's centre-half.

George Allison, manager of Arsenal, has remarked many times: "I would sign Bernard Joy as a professional at a moment's notice if he would agree."

Joy admits that he would like the extra money professionalism would bring him. He explains, though, that he is a schoolmaster and that professionalism is not popular on the whole, with parents. He would not give up teaching as he is just as much attached to his profession as he is to his sport.

St. Teresa Defeats Macao Visitors At Badminton

A great crowd of Macao and local spectators turned up at the St. Teresa's Chinese Young Men's Society last night to witness the badminton match between the St. Teresa's and Macao Lyceum Clubs which the former won by five games to four.

John A. Chen and F. Tsang (St. Teresa) beat H. Rodrigues and F. Rodrigues (Lyceum) 21-8; bent A. da Silva and G. da Silva 21-18; bent F. Ribeiro and J. da Silva 21-8. Peter Lo and J. Tsang (St. Teresa) beat H. Rodrigues and F. Rodrigues 21-4; bent A. da Silva and G. da Silva 21-4; lost to F. Ribeiro and J. da Silva 18-21.

Bernard Chan and H. T. Tan (St. Teresa) lost to H. Rodrigues and F. Rodrigues 16-21; lost to A. da Silva and G. da Silva 17-21; lost to F. Ribeiro and J. da Silva 17-21.

The best pair on view were John A. Chen and Francis Tsang who won all three encounters without being seriously extended at any time. The Macao players have improved immensely in this game since their visit here last year. Their most promising players are F. Ribeiro and J. da Silva who, when they have had more experience in league matches, should become very fine players.

A return match will be played in the same court to-night at 8 p.m. In order to provide some variety to the visiting team the St. Teresa will change their entire usual pairings and the following will form the team to-night: John A. Chen and Peter Lo, Francis Tsang and Joseph Tsang, H. S. Tan and John Lee.

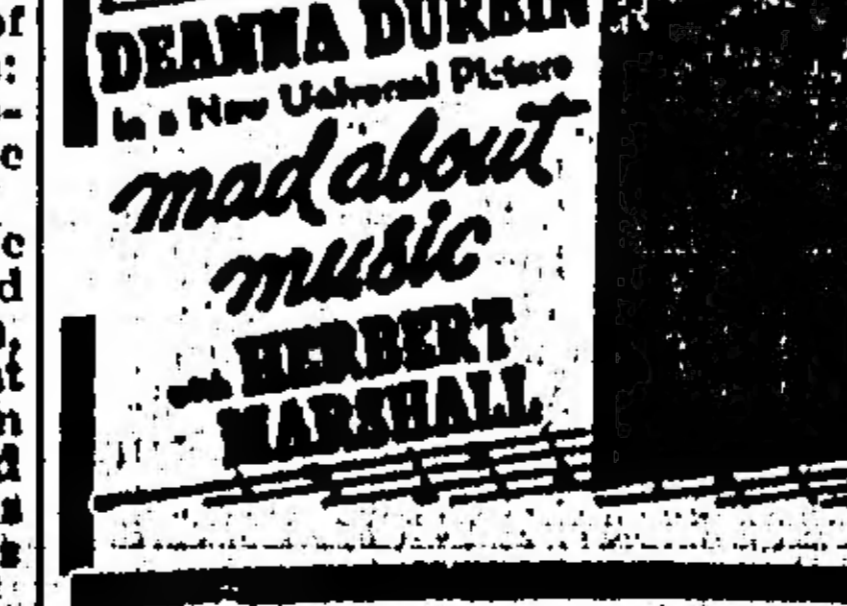
Prince "Bira" Wins Campbell Trophy Race

Mrs. Petre Back To Track

London, April 18. Prince Bhabhongs of Siam won the Campbell Trophy Race at Brooklands to-day, driving his car "Era" at an average speed of 73.70 miles an hour over a 2 1/2 mile course.

During a preliminary race, Lieut. Clayton, travelling at 100 miles an hour, crashed over the banking and was sent to hospital. He had a remarkable escape from death.

Mrs. Kay Petre, who was unconscious for several weeks following a crash last year, returned to the track with no signs of nerves, and did not even wear a crash helmet.—Reuter.



Cricket Notes

THE NEW 'WISDEN' DESCRIBED BY 'R. ABBIT'

Changes Only Of Order And Arrangement

To those who not only play but study cricket, and perhaps even more to those who have had to give up the actual playing of the game and can only keep in touch with it as spectators and students, "Wisden" is a household word. The first number was published in 1864 and, though I confess I am unaware of its actual form, I know that for a great many years the Almanack has appeared in the form to which we have been accustomed. It was therefore somewhat of a shock to discover that in this, the seventy-fifth edition published in 1938, a new form has been given to the "Cricketers' Bible" as it has often been called. But the changes are only those of order and arrangement.

The former "Wisdens" were divided into two parts. In the first appeared The Laws of Cricket, the Umpires list, Births and Deaths of Cricketers and a few lists including one of all Oxford and Cambridge Blues. Then there were sixty pages of "records", an Article or two, Obituary of the preceding year, the "Five cricketers of the year" with portraits, and finally twenty-eight pages on public school cricket and Notes by the Editor.

The second half was entirely scores and figures, averages, notes of the same all over the world and the Fixture list. At the beginning of this Part appeared the critical account and scores of any M.C.C. Tour which had taken place. Owing to the fact that these go on into the new year as a rule, these accounts were usually a bit out of date, and of course this must still continue. For instance the general account of the Australian Tour of G. O. Allen's team appears in this, the new 1938 edition.

THE NEW PLAN

In the new "Wisden" the division into two parts has been done away with altogether. All articles appear at the beginning—I use the word articles as opposed to critical or general accounts of M.C.C. tours—starting with the "Five Cricketers of the Year" and ending with the Editor's notes. After this appear the First-Class Averages, the Laws of Cricket, Tours and scores—and so on to the end of the book. Its length is slightly less than that of the recent Almanacks, as there are 968 pages as against 1,040 in the 1937 volume. Part of this reduction is, I fear, obtained by the use of extremely small type in the Obituary which, together with the "Cricketers' Births and Deaths", has been placed almost at the end of the book. The use of this small type is the only real blemish on a most excellent volume. On the other hand, it is splendidly indexed, far better than before and I fancy the paper and printing of the articles show a good deal of improvement—though I am not an expert on this question. At any rate it has proved possible to produce

some excellent illustrations, particularly in the article by A. P. Freeman on spin bowling. (Incidentally I commend this most heartily to all young bowlers—and most of the older ones too—in the Colony!)

Another excellent feature, so far as the Almanack is intended to be used as a book of reference in Clubs etc., the provision of a linen cover—still keeping the colour of the well-known yellow paper cover—will render the life of the volume very much longer. A good many of us, of course, have our "Wisdens" bound in our own pet binding, so it will make no difference. The Calendar with the Test Match dates printed in white on black circles is a very useful feature.

WOMEN'S CRICKET

I see that there has been a certain amount of surprise expressed over the appearance of an article on Women's Cricket, and the Tests with the Australian Women's team both in Australia and at home. Personally I do not consider the appearance of such an article at all strange. "Wisden" deals with cricket all over the world and now that Women's Cricket has become an established fact, what is more fitting than that "Wisden" should include it in the Almanack?

THE OBITUARY

I have referred previously to the Obituary for 1937. There are unfortunately a singularly large number of prominent cricketers who have passed away in this year, and I hope to publish a short article on this list later. There is one point on which perhaps one of my readers could enlighten me. I was on my way out from home during October 1937 and later in the year I was told that C. Aubrey Smith had died during the month in question. I had not heard of it, I have never seen it confirmed, and so far as "Wisden" goes he is still alive as after his name appears only b. 1863. I sincerely trust that he is still going strong. I knew he was playing cricket when over seventy.

SOME FURTHER NOTES

In fact, as Wisden is not accessible to a good many of my readers I shall try to put together an article or two including some of the more interesting points of this new Volume. Those who have bought it can omit the articles, which if possible will appear on Tuesdays.

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The pupil. The iris.
2. What are the colours of the Eire flag?
Green, White, Orange.
3. With which sports do you connect the following terms?
Spare. Bunt.
Fault. Feathering.
Bully-off. Chopping.
Bride. Stickie.
4. Which of the following is the Fourth Commandment?
Honour thy father and thy mother.
Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath Day.
Thou shalt not commit adultery.
Thou shalt not murder.
5. Which would you rather carry, a bushel of oats or a bushel of wheat?
6. Which of the following games are played with cards?
Ecarte. Faro.
Pique. Bassett.
Baccarat. Mah-Jongg.
7. An American earned the name of Buffalo Bill. What was his name?
Custer.
8. Name the football clubs that are represented by the following nicknames:
Bees. Hammers. Lions.
Hatters. Cobblers. Pompey.
9. Name the island still inhabited by the descendants of the Bounty mutineers.
Tahiti.
10. The war cry of a Highland clan in Scotland is called:
A slogan. An oblation.
A votary. A holopique.
11. How many links are there in a chain?
12. Which of these mountain in the Lake District are over 3,000 feet in height?
Scafell Pike. Skiddaw.
Scafell. Helvellyn.
Great Gable. Bowfell.
Kilidary Pike. Hallfell Top.
13. How many chukkas are there in a game of polo?
14. Name the village in Belgium famous for the battle that was fought there in the 19th century.
Waterloo.
15. At which of the following schools do the boys scramble for pan-cakes on Shrove Tuesday?
Winchester. Harrow.
Westminster. Charterhouse.
Rugby. Eton.

What Do You Know Answers

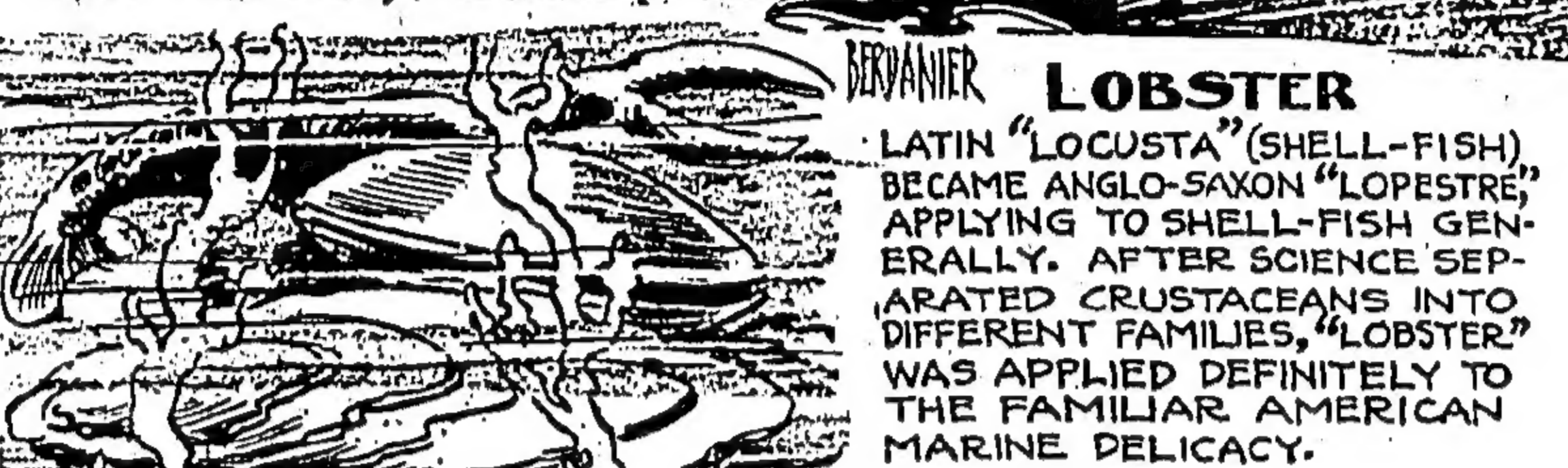
- Here are the answers to the "What D'you Know?" questions on Page Four.
1. The pupil.
 2. The iris.
 3. Green, White, Orange.
 4. Honour thy father and thy mother.
 5. A bushel of wheat.
 6. Ecarte, Pique, Baccarat, Mah-Jongg.
 7. Custer.
 8. Bees, Hammers, Lions, Hatters, Cobblers, Pompey.
 9. Tahiti.
 10. A slogan.
 11. 12.
 12. Scafell Pike, Skiddaw, Helvellyn, Bowfell, Kilidary Pike, Hallfell Top.
 13. 11.
 14. Waterloo.
 15. Winchester, Harrow, Westminster, Charterhouse, Rugby, Eton.

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Chapter Eight

SYNOPSIS: Anni, formerly a singer in a waterfront cafe in Trieste, is in fashionable Terrence, posing as a woman of position. Her two weeks' adventure is the result of wealthy Count Armilla's drunken whim. She finds herself desperately in love with Guilio, the village postman, but wanting luxury, she resolves to join Rudi Pal from his fiancée, Maddelena. The wine feast is just a few days off and she hopes that Rudi will choose that night to propose. But Anni is afraid for Guilio knows her secret, having read the telegram which Armilla has sent to Maddelena's friend, the Contessa. It reveals Anni's true identity and Guilio has only to deliver it to ruin her.

The night of the Festa had come and Anni stood at the open window gathering up her courage. Borne on a breeze, came the peasant music. Guilio would be there, Guilio in whose arms she had found joy and love.

As if the thought was driving her to action she spun around and made for the stairs. At the foot of them Rudi awaited her. His eyes were adoring. "No one but you, Anni, could be the loveliest lady and the most beautiful peasant at the same time."

Her color heightened but she did not reply as the others joined them. They all started for the grounds and Anni's eyes were wide as they made their way to a table. It was a night of gaily and love and new wine. The music was varied, now brisk and rhythmic for the peasant dancers, now dreamy and soft for those couples who had hidden themselves away in secluded nooks.

Suddenly Anni jumped up. "Oh, there's a fortune teller's tent. I want my fortune told. Come, Rudi!" Without quite realizing it, she and Rudi had passed the Gypsy tent and then they found themselves quite alone in a little tree-shaded grove.

Rudi held her before him. "You can't leave tomorrow, Anni." "You're insane," she said quietly. "There's Maddelena." "Of course I'm insane. I've seen you every day and every night for so many days as I can remember living." She waited. "Anni, I'm in love with you." "But you're going to marry Maddelena," she protested. "You can't leave me, Anni," he said hoarsely. His fingers were pressing into one bare shoulder, bruising the delicate flesh. "Marry me, Anni." "And Maddelena? What about Maddelena?" He seemed to be dazed, comprehending his own words and yet not knowing how they had come about. "She'll have to understand. I'll tell her."

Rudi's footsteps faded and Guilio shattered the silence. "How much did he pay you for those kisses?" She was shocked into utter stillness. "How much did he pay you?" With a sudden plying instinct her hands went out to him. "Guilio, don't look at me like that," she implored. "I can make you understand. Oh Guilio, that day that I came to your house, I came because of that telegram. I planned to steal it, to hide it. And yet I was afraid to come."

"Why?" Her heart seemed to stand still. "Because for a long time I had felt that I loved you." "I thought so too," he said slowly. "But tonight, I know only that the telegram was not delivered." "Guilio," she began desperately. "I'm going to marry Rudi Pal. I love you. That's what I feel. I can't help that. But the other's what I want."

"You don't know what you want," Guilio cried. "Were you happy at that bar on the waterfront? Your life will be just the same. You'll be just the same. And who will there be to love? Who will love you?" She stepped back, like an animal.

"Who wants love? I've never had it. I don't care for it now. But there's something else Guilio, something I've had all my life. It's hunger, hunger for all the beautiful things I've seen and heard of and dreamed about. Now there's my chance for them and I'm going to take it."

"I won't let you, Anni!" She stepped away from him. "You can't stop me. Nothing can stop me. No, don't come near me." Her voice rose hysterically. "Rudi Pal has said he loved me and I'm going to marry him. That's the beginning and the end of it. Don't think too harshly of me, Postman. Goodbye, Guilio." She darted away from him and ran down the path.

"We leave for Locarno right after dinner," he pressed her arm. "Maddelena's told the Contessa and the Admiral. Be nice to her, dear. Understand how she feels. Don't retort but she wasn't quite certain of what to say. Then they were at the table and from everyone came a disappointed, determined rush of words."

"Well," the Contessa drawled in her most hateful way. "How striking you look, my dear." "There was a self-conscious pause and then a rather grateful scramble for seats. Everyone began to talk at once and when the conversation again died, the silence seemed appalling."

Maddelena smiled at Anni gallantly. "You'll have so much to think of my dear. There are things you ought to know. Rudi likes his coffee strong and his meat medium toward rare and his eggs three minutes."

Suddenly, Anni's spine froze. Her eyes were riveted on the figure of Guilio who stood at the main desk of the lobby. With the fascinating don born of fear she watched as an alert little bellboy received the telegram that Guilio had left and started toward them briskly.

"What a beautiful day, it will be tomorrow for a wedding, she murmured. The boy had reached the table. Her smile was ghostly as he held out the tray. "For you, Contessa."

A man who has escaped the dreadful fate of marrying beneath him. She rose. "You needn't get up please, any of you. Yes, it's all true. But I missed by only a very few minutes. Don't feel sorry for me Maddelena," she said as she saw the girl's pitying eyes. "You should hate me for what I've done but you won't. You're too fine. Too good for Rudi but you're in love with him. I guess love makes you do crazy things."

Then, abruptly, she walked away. The Contessa mused, gazing after her. "I don't know why I waited for that telegram. The dress should have told me." Once inside her room, Anni burst into violent sobs. Then a great, dejected calm enveloped her. Moving like an automaton, she undressed then slipped into the deplorable frock. All that she owned she was leaving behind. She had her ticket. Tomorrow morning, she would board the train for Trieste for even Guilio would not want her now. He couldn't. The way things happened with her. Because she wanted him so terribly and had never for one moment, stopped loving him.

She hastened out of the hotel and was swallowed up by the darkness.

She was going to the Pines. She wanted to see them just once more. To climb up, very high, to the clearing on the top.

She had been walking for perhaps ten minutes when there came the sound of hoofbeats. And then, as if he had been conjured up out of the darkness, there was Guilio, perched astride his seat in the donkey cart. "Where are you going, Anni?" "To the Pines, first." "From there we can take you to the stairs."

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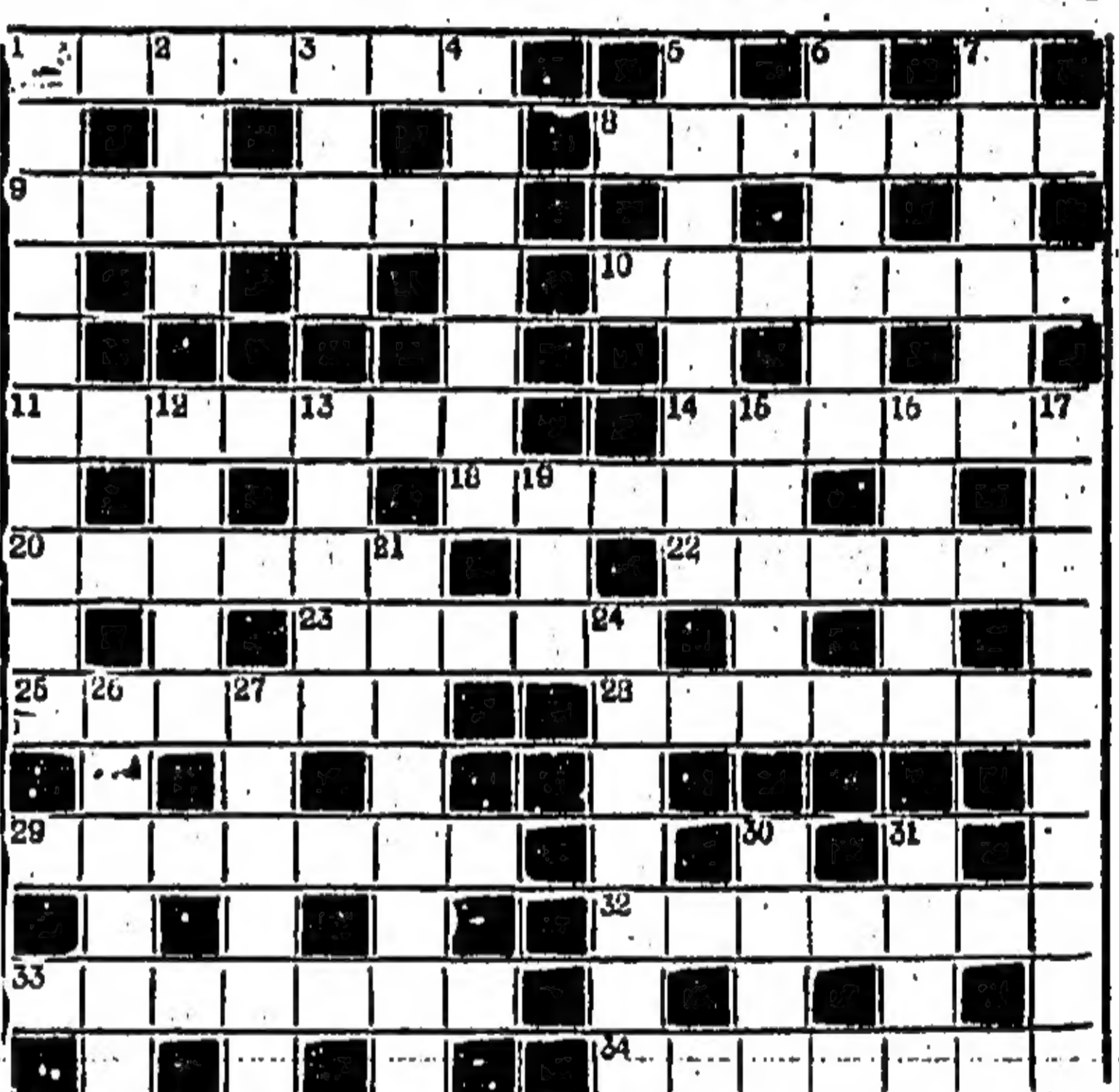
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ACROSS

- 1 His object was, of course, to obtain a lodging in the enemy vessel (7).
- 8 A hint for the lecturer's use? (7).
- 9 A methodical soldier no doubt (7).
- 10 Carrots in unfamiliar form (7).
- 11 A good turnover is essential in his particular line of business (7).
- 14 The audience that is this is showing unconscious disapproval (6).
- 18 Organism with affirmative start (5).
- 20 He knows the way to the hole better than the bad golfer does (6).
- 22 Does the dresser find it so? (6).
- 23 A hated change (5).
- 25 Sequel to the fall (6).
- 28 This team is always a weight to be reckoned with in football (7).
- 29 Hazard could be a beard if "A" were included (7).
- 32 The first of the farseeing scientists (7).
- 33 Go in for the start of a cause of ill feeling (7).

DOWN

- 1 A labourer's implement about the road, was a criminal sign (two words—5, 5).
- 2 A well known opera (4).
- 3 A weapon that might certainly this benighted one (4).
- 4 May be a novel return (7).
- 5 Part of an entry in the sea border is an opposite (8).
- 6 This may this willing obligations (6).

- 7 This hound could hardly catch itself benighted (6).
- 12 Suitable flier to display the Popular Front colours (5).
- 13 Is she saying "Aisle altar him" (5).
- 15 Obstacle that rustic lovers often encounter (5).
- 16 Golags out change to be (5).
- 17 An uncertain purchase (four words—3, 2, 1, 4).
- 19 This to 16 down is obvious advice (3).
- 21 It is very alarming to do wrong if in pain (8).
- 24 No suitable shape for a round peg (7).
- 26 If this from 33 across one need no bother to boil the drinking water (6).
- 27 Things to talk about (6).
- 30 More than enough (4).
- 31 We all like this sure (4).

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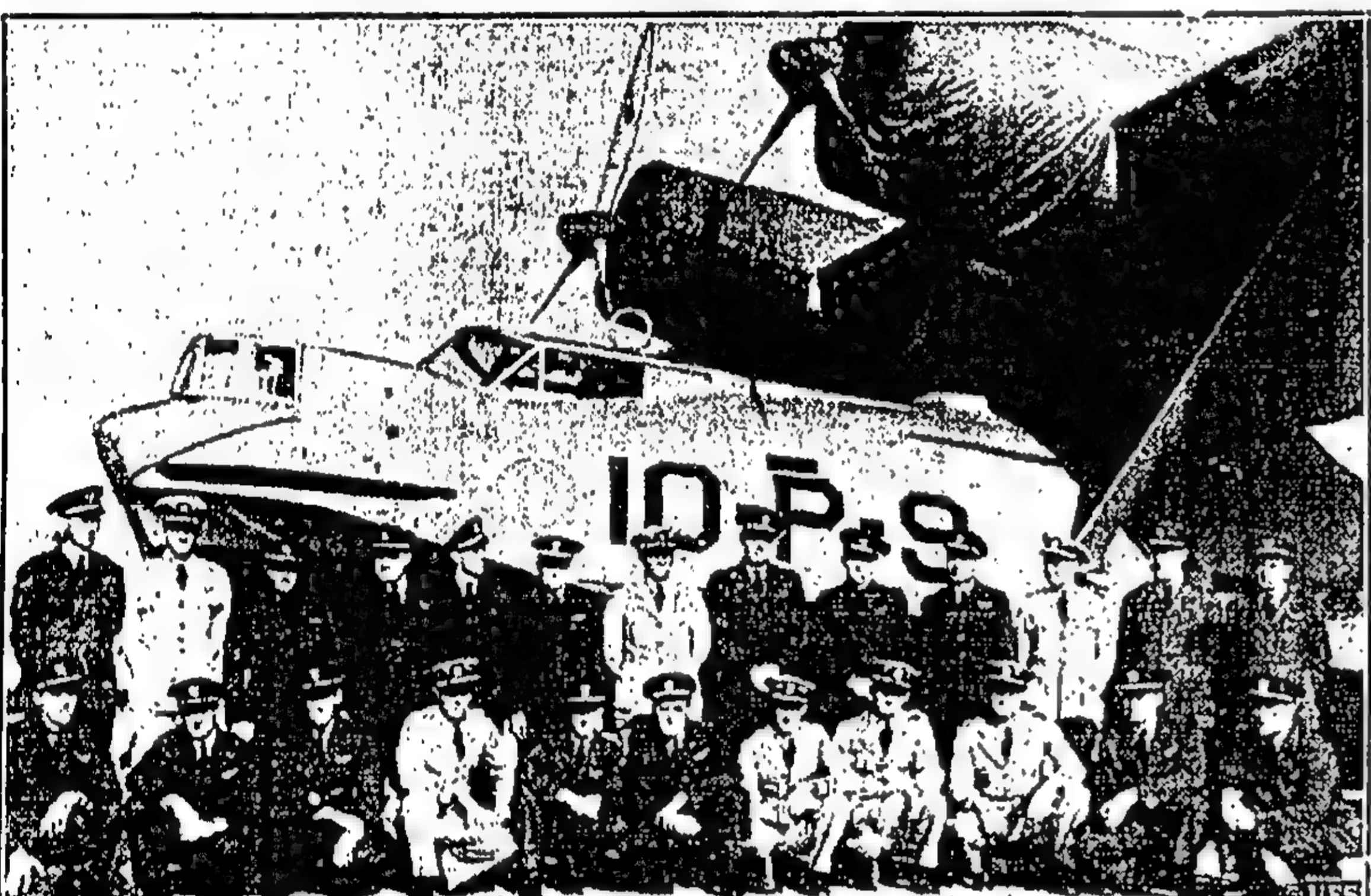
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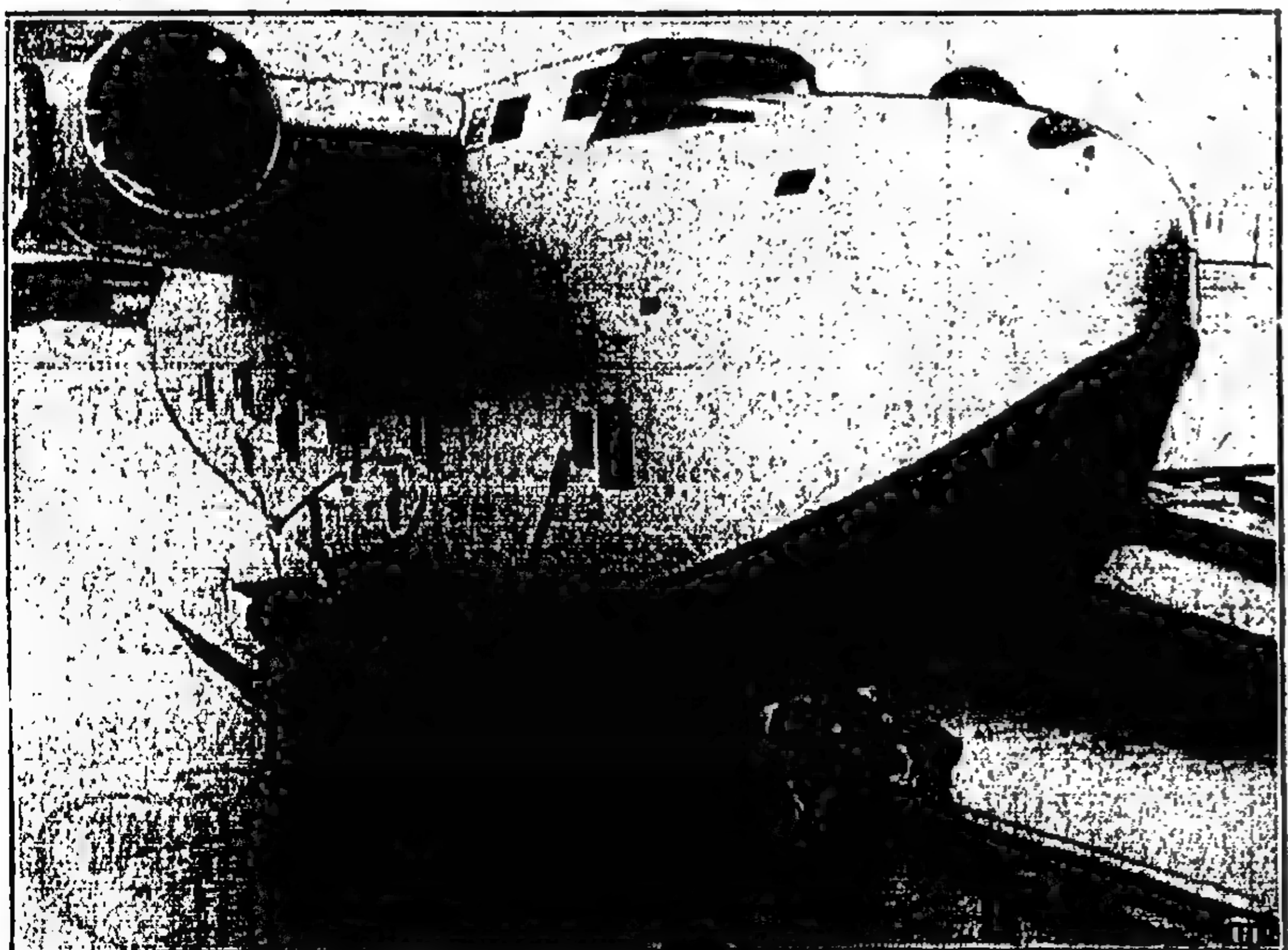
JULIANA'S BABY—Unconscious of the vast rejoicing by The Netherlands at her birth, here is Princess Beatrix Wilhelmina Armgard, daughter of Crown Princess Juliana and her consort, Prince Bernhard, as she poses for her first picture in The Hague. The name Beatrix was chosen because "we both like it." Others are her grandmothers' names.



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CHINESE WIN GROUND NEAR SHANGHAI

IMPORTANT POSITIONS RECAPTURED

Japanese Attack At Linyi in Effort To Relieve Yih sien

Hankow, Apr. 19.
 Tsingpuhueh and Chuchiachueh, two important points between Quinsan, Sungkiang and Tsingpu, west of Shanghai, were recaptured by Chinese guerillas on April 16, after a stiff encounter with the Japanese.

It is learned that the number of Chinese guerillas operating in that area is quite large and they are now being assisted by regular troops.—*Central News.*

REFUGEES AGAIN STREAM INTO SHANGHAI CITY

Shanghai, Apr. 19.
 A sudden influx of refugees to Shanghai has followed the return of Chinese troops to the surrounding areas.

Coupled with the Japanese "scorched earth" policy, the guerillas' return is causing serious concern to the local authorities in view of the imminent arrival of hot weather and the possibility of the outbreak of cholera and other epidemics.—*Reuter.*

Chinese Recapture Yangwu

Chengchow, Apr. 19.
 With the arrival of reinforcements, Chinese forces in northern Honan pressed on Yangwu, west of Fengchi, on April 17, and after a fierce encounter succeeded in recapturing the town.—*Central News.*

Japanese Make New Drive On Linyi

Linyi, Apr. 19.
 With the aid of heavy reinforcements Japanese troops are launching a new drive on Linyi, in south-east Shantung in an effort to relieve the Chinese pressure on Yih sien and Tsingpu.

Bitter fighting is now in progress at Yitangchi, north-west of Linyi, where no fewer than 4,000 Japanese fresh troops from Tsingtao equipped with 20 field guns and 10 tanks are concentrated. The place has changed hands five times since April 16, according to military reports.—*Central News.*

Large-Scale Fighting Expected

Hsuehchow, April 19.
 With both sides rushing heavy reinforcements, large-scale fighting is expected to break out in south Shantung before the end of this month, according to competent military observers.

It is reported that the Japanese command is dispatching four divisions of reinforcements to south Shantung, including one division from Shanghai, one and half divisions from Manchuria and the Peiping-Hankow Railway front, and one and (Continued on Page 4.)

40 Smallpox Cases Over Week-End

Forty cases of smallpox were notified during the Easter vacation. Only nine of these cases occurred in Victoria, centre of the recent epidemic which claimed over 1,500 lives, 30 of the remainder being reported from Kowloon, and one each from Shaukiwan and a craft in the harbour. Total number of cases since January 1, is now 2,030. Twenty-one cases of measles, nine cases of meningitis, four cases each of diphtheria, chickenpox and scarlet fever, and one case each of scarlet fever and typhoid were also reported.

CHINESE SEAFARERS SUFFER SERIOUSLY

2,000 Estimated Dead At Japanese Hands

About 2,000 Chinese fishermen have to date been either killed or wounded and no fewer than 400 fishing junks registered with the Hongkong Government destroyed by Japanese shelling and bombing since the outbreak of the current hostilities, according to an estimate made by the local Chinese Fishermen's Association.

With the destruction of these junks a total of \$1,000,000 worth of property was lost.

Most of the Japanese attacks took place at Tai Ao, Changchow, Shek-kuchow and other points on the boundary of British territorial waters around Hongkong.—*Central News.*

Police Fight To Quell Dock Clash In U.S.

Los Angeles, Apr. 18.
 Longshoremen and police engaged in a bloody battle on Pier 41 to-day when waterside workers attempted to rush a sailors' picket on Shephard Line ships.

Ships were picketed by seamen as a protest against the hiring of a National Maritime Union crew at Seattle. A C.I.O. flying wedge pierced the sailors' picket, and police, wielding batons, were able to halt the battle only after 38 men were injured, three so seriously that they had to be sent to hospital.—*United Press.*

Fighting Breaks Out Again In Pootung



Throughout China, and particularly in Hankow, the populace celebrated the recent victories at Taierschwang and other points in Shantung, with great enthusiasm. Here is a typical scene in a busy Hankow street where girls and boys and a good many of their elders, joined in the noisy demonstration.

P.I. Defences Must Be Maintained

High Commissioner Tells Washington

Washington, Apr. 18.
 Mr. P. V. McNutt, High Commissioner for the Philippines, during his testimony to the House of Representatives' sub-Committee on Military Appropriations, said that the United States should maintain its present garrison intact in the Philippines.

The political situation, he said, indicated that a re-examination of the entire question of Philippines defence in view of independence may have to be examined.

He urged sufficient appropriations for the High Commissioner to maintain his office and residence at a level compatible with the dignity of a representative of the United States.—*United Press.*

Air Services Girdle Globe Again

San Francisco, Apr. 18.
 Round the world air service will become a reality in June, according to an announcement received here to-day from United Air Lines San Francisco office.

By using Pan-American's Clipper planes from the Far East to San Francisco, and boarding a United Air Lines over-night sleeper plane from San Francisco to New York, connections may be made starting in June, with Lufthansa's new Dirigible which will transport 40 people across the Atlantic. By using various airlines, a traveller can fly from Germany to Hongkong, which is the departure point on the eastbound flights of Pan-American Airways.

United, as a connecting link between trans-Atlantic and trans-Pacific air service, reports a substantial increase in inquiries for international travel.

The announcement states that complete schedules and fares for the world service will be announced shortly through an inter-line ticket arrangement between Pan American, United Air Lines and Lufthansa.

SEVEN KILLED IN BOMBAY RIOTING

Bombay, Apr. 19.
 It is announced that seven were killed and 90 injured in the week-end rioting here between Moslems and Hindus. The authorities are making every effort to check the disturbances and are rigidly enforcing the curfew.—*Reuter.*

BOMBED PLANES IN H.K.

Awaiting Reassembly At Kai Tak

Two Junker aeroplanes which were bombed by Japanese sometime ago, are lying in Kai Tak civil aerodrome awaiting repair. They are in pieces at present.

The giant wings are on the ground outside the hangar, objects of curiosity to passers-by but even those who remember sparsely reported news items of four months ago will scarcely connect them with the presence of the damaged aircraft in Hongkong to-day.

The incidents nearly ended the profitable Eurasia Aviation Corporation's service in China at the time. It was about November last year that one of the giant Junkers No. XX, frequently to be seen coming to and from the Colony between here and Hankow, was flying outward when it was attacked by Japanese. The pilot had passengers on board, and being caught unawares was unable to out-fly the pursuers. He decided to land at an aerodrome hitherto unknown to the Japanese.

The plane landed safely and the occupants left the machine and scattered, while the Japanese dropped bombs which broke off the wings of the plane and made a huge dent in the port side. Another Junker plane belonging to Eurasia Aviation Corporation about half the size of the big plane, was also damaged before the attackers were driven off.

The Chinese were annoyed that the Corporation had given away the whereabouts of an aerodrome which had been up to then a closely guarded secret and the Government actually threatened to terminate Eurasia's contract in China. The trouble was patched up—apparently to the advantage of both parties, since Eurasia has been running between Hankow and Hongkong ever since and many of the passengers have been Chinese officials.

Apart from this incident and the death of a pilot from typhus a fortnight ago, the Corporation has been singularly fortunate.

INCURABLE THIEF BACK IN GAOL

"The only place for a person like you is behind the bars where you cannot prey upon the public," remarked Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he sentenced Chan Wing to six years' imprisonment with hard labour. The accused had pleaded guilty to stealing a dinner jacket belonging to Mr. H. Cooper from the Claremont Hotel, Austin Avenue, on April 2. Mr. Justice Lindsell said that the man had a bad criminal record of 32 convictions from petty larceny to burglary over a period of 32 years. Accused had only been released on March 25 after a long period in gaol. He was arrested again ten days after.

JAPANESE ADMIT GUERILLAS ACTIVE

Maintain Shanghai Perfectly Safe

Shanghai, Apr. 18.
 Heavy firing was heard again in the direction of Pootung last night.

Chinese reports declare that the Japanese "scorched earth" policy, adopted in an effort to wipe out the guerillas, has resulted in the destruction of several hundred villages in the past fortnight.

Meanwhile, the first admission that Chinese guerillas are in action in the neighbourhood of Shanghai was made by a Japanese Army spokesman at this morning's press conference.

Describing the bands of guerillas as "small groups of Public Enemies No. 1—possibly former Chinese soldiers," the spokesman declared that they were harassing peaceful Chinese farmers.

"Shanghai need not fear attack from these Chinese units," he declared.—*Reuter.*

PRISON HOLDS NO TERROR

Banishers Return, Again And Again, Despite Certainty Of Incarceration

Sentences totaling 19 years were imposed on five men who pleaded guilty before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at Criminal Sessions this morning to breaches of Deportation Orders.

The accused were Sin Man, who received four years; Lam Po, two years; Chan Kan, five years; Chan Sang, four years; and Man Shui, four years.

Mr. Justice Lindsell said all the accused had criminal records for which they had served terms of imprisonment and had been banished. Sin Man had an extremely bad record dating back to 1920, with nine breaches of Deportation Orders since 1924. Chan Kan although sentenced to five years in 1933 for a similar offence had returned to Hongkong in defiance of the order after having been released from prison only six months ago.

The last accused had been banished for life in March 1937, and this was the sixth time he returned to the Colony against deportation orders.

Noted English Composer Dead

London, Apr. 18.
 Sir Richard Terry, famed composer and organist, is dead.

His career, which dates back to 1890, had made him one of the greatest of English musicians. His works include five masses, many motets, a book on "Catholic Church Music," "Old Rhymes with New Times," and many others.

He always encouraged modern composition in the modal style. For many years organist and director at the new Westminster Cathedral, the late Sir Richard raised the choral work to an extremely high standard. He systematically revived entire schools of forgotten church composers, chiefly English.

Sir Richard Terry, who was born at Ellington, Northumberland, and educated at Oxford and Cambridge, was 78 years of age.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH INTERESTS APPARENTLY BUYING UP MEXICO'S OIL

Mexico City, Apr. 18.
 It is learned on reliable authority that Mr. F. W. Rickett, "mystery man" of the London financial world who negotiated the famous Abyssinian \$10,000,000 oil concession, has virtually concluded a contract for the purchase of 15,000,000 barrels of petroleum from Mexico.

The petroleum is deliverable within six months at current market prices. It is stated that the purchasers are British, though precise identity remains undisclosed.

Mr. Rickett left Mexico City for an unknown destination last week. The fact that he is associated with the British purchasers of Mexican oil indicates that he has powerful backing.

Within a few years Mr. Rickett has amassed a fortune which runs into six figures. Yet his name does not appear in any official list of directors of companies in London.

He is a keen sportsman and in England is Master of the Craven Hunt. Whilst at home, which is rare, he lives in a magnificent country mansion near Newbury, Berks. He is the owner of Amroth Castle, Pembroke-shire, formerly the home of Lord Kylsant.

Mr. Rickett came into prominence in Mexico when he appeared in the capital of that country at the beginning of the month, shortly after President Cardenas threw a bomb-shell into American and British oil interests by announcing that Mexico has expropriated all foreign oil wells.—*Reuter.*

RUMANIA ROUNDS UP PLOTTERS

King Carol Backs New "Strong" Man

Bucharest, Apr. 19.
 M. Armand Calinescu, Minister of Interior and the Cabinet's "strong man," is credited with defeating the attempted coup d'etat which ended in the arrest of its leaders during the week-end.

It is understood that King Carol has approved M. Calinescu's order to round up all suspects connected with the plot.

Already 2,000 Iron Guards have been arrested and the King has granted the former Minister of War, General J. Antonescu, 30 days' leave. He has left the country for an undisclosed destination and it is believed he is in sympathy with the Iron Guards.

Besides the leader of the plot, M. Codreanu, his father, and an engineer named Kilme, President of the Iron Guard, who succeeded General George Catacuzine in that post.

King Carol is in Bucharest.—*United Press.*

Siam's Treaty With Japan Explained

London, Apr. 19.
 The Daily Telegraph says to-day, in a dispatch from Bangkok, that Mr. Luang Pradit, Foreign Minister, has emphasised that the recently signed treaty with Japan was solely concerned with the establishment of Siam's sovereignty over her own domains. "It does not contain any secret clauses. We made no promises, having no understanding with Japan obliging us to any kind of mutual assistance. In some respects the Treaty is more restrictive than our treaty with Britain. Japanese are barred from owning land in Siam while there are no restriction whatsoever on British ownerships," he said.

"In Britain Siam has a trusted and powerful friend. Englishmen have contributed a most valuable share in the modernisation of Siam. British domains abutting on Siam have maintained good neighbourly relations with us for many years. In the matter of her foreign and financial operations Siam is in close touch with London."—*Reuter.*

INDUSTRIALIST READY TO ASSIST JAPAN

Tokyo, Apr. 19.
 Baron Seinosuke Goh, president of the Japanese Economic Federation and one of the nation's leading industrialists, has notified Mr. Shiro Yoshino, Minister of Commerce, that he is ready to head committees charged with the organisation of semi-official North China development and Central China rehabilitation companies.—*United Press.*

STOP PRESS

EUGENE CHEN IN COLONY

Mr. Eugene Chen, distinguished Chinese diplomat, arrived in Hongkong to-day from Europe. He is travelling aboard the French liner D'Arignann.

It is not disclosed how long he intends to stay in Hongkong or where he proposes to travel next.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

SIX NEW LINERS FOR H. K. SERVICE

International Rivalry For Blue Riband of Europe—Orient Route

P. & O.'s CANTON DUE IN HONGKONG EARLY NOVEMBER

AS two large new passenger liners for the Europe—Asia service near completion, plans are being completed on drawing boards for four other luxury liners for the same service.

First of the new ships to reach Hongkong will be the P. & O. Line's 15,500-ton Canton, which is expected to leave Southampton on her maiden voyage on Oct. 7 and reach Hongkong about Nov. 10. She replaces the 24-year-old Kaiser-I-Hind, recently withdrawn for breaking up.

The Canton will be followed half way through next year by a 21,000-ton luxury liner being built in Holland for the Nederland Line. The new Nederland ship at present is known as "No. 270."

Ships still on the drawing board, but on which work should start shortly, are a 16,500-ton vessel for the Lloyd Triestino Line and three vessels of the same tonnage for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha Line.

EMPIRE NEWS

INDIAN CONGRESS DECISION

Bombay. The Working Committee of the Indian National Congress, which is now holding its 51st session at Haripur, near here, has decided not to call on the ministries of Madras, Bombay, Orissa, Central Provinces, and the North-West Frontier province to resign.

These five provinces, together with Bihar and the United Provinces, constitute the seven in which the Congress Party holds office. The Bihar and United Provinces ministries resigned last Tuesday, following the refusal of the Governor of Bihar, Sir Maurice Hallett, acting on instructions from the Viceroy, the Marquess of Linlithgow, in his capacity as Governor-General, to sanction the release of 26 political prisoners.

The present Working Committee resolution states that "Congress does not wish to precipitate a crisis which may involve non-co-operation. It invites the Governor-General to reconsider his decision."

The political situation is considerably easier. An important factor in the improvement appears to have been the vigorous protests at Congress Party headquarters by various provincial Congress governments, particularly Bombay and Madras, against proposals that they be called on for sympathetic "strikes."

The protagonists of the working committee have found themselves in some difficulty, and it is not surprising that they have concentrated on the lead given them by the Press attack on the Viceroy, the Marquess of Linlithgow, by the Marquess of Lothian.

Lord Lothian, who recently stayed with Mr. Gandhi, went a long way in showing his sympathy with Congress views during his recent visit to India. He openly shared their criticisms of the new constitution.

Mr. Bose's Address.—"The opening of the Congress session last night was an impressive affair. There was a crowd estimated to number about 200,000. Determined opposition to Federation formed the keynote of Mr. Bose's presidential address. He emphasised the necessity of resisting Federation by all legitimate and peaceful—not merely constitutional—means."

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The British Empire, he said, must transform itself into a federation of free nations, and this would only be possible if Britain became a Socialist State.

Prisoners Released.—The Madras Government has released 67 prisoners from Salem prison.—Exchange.

SOCIAL CREDIT RIFT

Toronto. It is rumoured in Edmonton that a further break in the ranks of Social Credit appears to be imminent. Reports are current that Mr. Aberhart, the Premier of Alberta, will ask for the resignation of two members of his Cabinet—Mr. W. A. Fallow, Minister of Public Works, and Mr. D. B. Mullan, Minister of Agriculture.

Mr. Aberhart is said to be dissatisfied with the administration of the road funds and the failure of the Ministry of Agriculture to remedy the situation following the drought. The strike of 1,500 coal-handlers, which was called on Friday, and which yesterday threatened to spread to milk, bread, and department-store delivery men, was amicably settled to-day. A five-man

ALTHOUGH she is nearly ready for service particulars of the new P. & O. ship have not been announced. It is understood she is a sister ship, with various modifications and improvements, of the Carthage and other P. & O. "C" liners.

The Canton probably will have considerably more deck space than the other "C" ships and it is likely that her interior furnishing will approach in some degree the standard of luxury of the P. & O. Line's fine "Strath" ships, operating on the England-Australia service.

The ships provided by P. & O. for Australians are of a vastly higher standard than those on the Far Eastern route.

The new Nederland Line ship will be built on the lines of the comfortable and popular Marnix van Sint Aldegonde and Johan van Oldenbarnevelt, although her length will be 630 feet, 29 feet longer than the Marnix.

DUTCH SHIP'S 21 KNOTS Her service speed of 21 knots will enable her to equal the Lloyd Triestino time of 15 days for the Singapore-Genoa run.

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The largest ship in the Europe-Singapore run is the 24,116-ton Conte Biancamano, owned by heavily-subsidised Lloyd Triestino. The most luxurious ship in the run, the 13,000-ton Victoria, also is a Lloyd Triestino unit. Both these vessels are run at 23 knots.

The luxurious and fast liners of the North German Lloyd and Messageries Maritimes Lines also are heavily-subsidised by the German and French Governments respectively.

U. S. Woman Aiding China

Communist Writer Playing Conspicuous Part

Hankow. In the cosmopolitan atmosphere of Hankow, the Chinese temporary capital which has seen foreign aviators, diplomats and academics, one foreigner has played a conspicuous part in aiding China to resist the Japanese invaders.

She is Miss Agnes Smedley, American woman Communist writer, who spent considerable time with the Eighth Route Army in North China.

Now in Hankow, Miss Smedley keeps busy daily collecting clothes, shoes, goggles, stockings and other equipment which is subsequently shipped to Shansi province to be used by Chinese guerrilla warriors. She spends much time in propaganda work, addressing dozens of literary and patriotic meetings which are now very numerous.

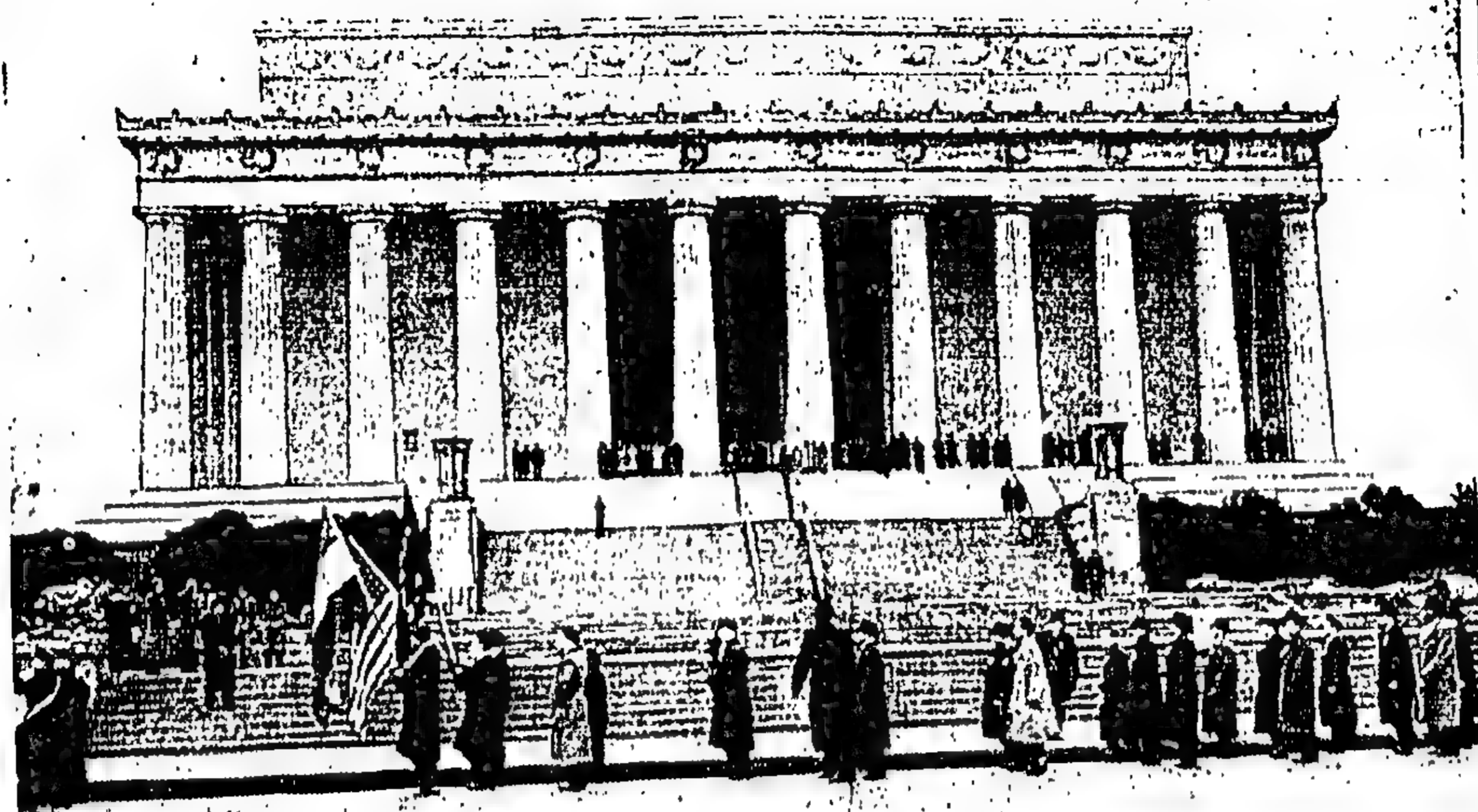
Although she was wearing a Chinese military uniform when she arrived in Hankow several weeks ago, she now wears western dress, including American silk stockings. She still wears her heavy army shoes, however.

In spare moments she is preparing a book about the Chinese "Red Army."

Weeks' truce is declared, during which drivers receive an advance of 7½d. an hour, and the price of coal is advanced 15½d. a ton.

A Gold "Strike"—Reports of a new gold "strike" at Sebalon, situated in an isolated part of Vancouver Island, to-day drew prospectors by scores. The ore was first discovered by a fisherman, and more than 1,000 claims have been staked and five mines opened. The population, which less than a year ago consisted of a few fishermen, is now more than 600.

SPANISH CIVIL WAR "VETERANS" HONOUR AN AMERICAN STATESMAN



CIVIL WAR VETERANS in the Spanish Loyalist Army marching by the Lincoln Memorial in Washington to honour the great emancipator.

Lord Dawson Tries To Save Mothers From The Black Cap

LORD DAWSON OF PENN, famous Royal doctor, fought in the House of Lords recently to save tragic mothers in Britain from the Black Cap.



PRINCESSES GROW TALLER.—Showing strong resemblance to the Windsor family features, here are Britain's princesses, Elizabeth, right, and Princess Margaret Rose, in the process of reaching childhood's stately stage. Elizabeth is nearly 12 and Margaret Rose is 7. They are shown as they arrived at Royal Agricultural Hall, London, to visit the national pony show.

RAISED 20 CHILDREN ON CHEESE AND CIDER

Weston-Super-Mare.

WHEN Mrs. Bert Fisher, of Myrtle Farm, in the Somerset village of Brent Knoll, presented her husband with their fifth child, he named the baby boy "Thomas Lot," says a correspondent.

"That's the lot," said Bert Fisher. But he was wrong. Thomas Lot was born 25 years ago and to-day he's got 18 brothers and sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher claim to have the biggest family in the country. Mr. Fisher took me to his antique oak bureau and produced a sheaf of papers. They were birth certificates.

"Have to look 'em up sometimes to remember all their names," he confided. "Twenty children we've had and 19 are living."

"I'm only 55 and the wife's 50, and we've lived in this farm since the day we were married in 1905. Victor, our eldest, was born in 1908."

"And after that I had a baby every year for 20 years," chimed

in Mrs. Fisher. "I always had one in my arms."

"But for the whole 20 years I went on making the cheese for market. I'm thankful to say that all the children have been healthy. Never had the doctor to one of them."

CHEESE AND CIDER. "Ah," murmured Mr. Fisher, "Somerset cheese and cider are

He wants to ensure that a woman who, while still suffering from the effects of childbirth, kills her child under the age of one

shall not witness the dread spectacle of the judge putting on the Black Cap and sentencing her to death.

Existing law to this effect operates, said Lord Dawson, in the case of a "newly-born" child, but he explained that there is no definition (either legal or medical) of what that means, although the accepted custom is to regard a newly-born as under a month old.

He was moving the second reading of a Bill to amend the law, and he told a grim story of a case in which he was called as an expert witness.

"A GOOD MOTHER"

A woman, he said, had given birth to her second child. In ordinary circumstances she was sane. She was happily married and was a good mother.

When the child was three weeks old the nurse appeared one morning, put it to the breast and left the room. She came back in about ten minutes and found that both the mother and the baby had disappeared.

There was a hunt. The infant and the mother were found with throat injuries.

The woman was put up at the Old Bailey for infanticide. It was asked whether the child was newly-born. In the absence of definition the woman was tried for murder.

But when the Judge summed up, said Lord Dawson, he expressed the hope that some amendment of the Act might take place, and suggested to the jury that if they thought the woman was not responsible they should bring in a verdict saying that she did the act, but that owing to illness, she was not responsible and so was not guilty.

HIS ARGUMENT

So she was found guilty without the necessity of sentencing her to death.

His governing argument was that when illness is the cause of the offence the law should go farther than it does now and that, so far as is compatible with the administration of justice the machinery of crime should be avoided.

He attacked the familiar verdict of "Guilty but insane" as being "fundamentally unsound." Surely he said, it should be "insane and therefore not guilty."

Lord Snell gave general support to the Bill, but intimated that Labour would put down amendments affecting the treatment of women on remand.

The Bill was given a second reading.

grand stuff for bringing up a family. The farm has produced everything to feed them, and—'he stretched out his arms and showed his work-hardened palms—"this pair of hands has earned everything to keep them."

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Bombay via Singapore & Colombo

†Toyooka Maru 28th April

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL.

Agent.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1938.

U.S. COMMODITY
PRICESLATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS

	New York, Apr. 18.	
May	8.99/80	8.97/87
July	9.02/03	9.04/04
Oct.	9.13/15	9.11/11
Dec.	9.17/15	9.13/14
Jan. (1939)	9.17/16	9.16/16
Mar. (1939)	9.24/23	9.22/23
Spot		9.03

The First Notice Day for May Cotton is April 26.

	New York Rubber	
May	12.65/73	12.76/81
July	12.95/13.01	13.00/00
Sept.	13.14/19	13.03/13
Dec.	13.35/40	13.31/32
Mar.		13.49 n

Sales for the day: 3,020 tons.

	Chicago Wheat	
May	84 7/8	84 1/2
July	81 1/2	82 1/2
Sept.		83 1/2

	Chicago Corn	
May	60 1/2	59 1/2
July	61 1/2	61 1/2
Sept.		62 1/2

	Winnipeg Wheat	
May	125 1/2	126 1/2
July	115 1/2	115 1/2
Oct.		91 1/2

HONGKONG MINES
OUTPUT 3,901
TONS IN MARCH

Hongkong Mines, Limited treated 3,901 tons of ore during the month of March and produced lead, silver and gold concentrates valued at Pecos 42,325.00. It was reported by Nielson & Co., Inc., Managers of the property, today.

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NARCOTIC
PEDDLARS
SENTENCED

Charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, with the possession of seven ounces of crude heroin, 270 heroin pills and five ounces of pink mass at a flat in Clarence Terrace on March 15, Yeung Ho-po, 27, unemployed, was sentenced to three years' hard labour on pleading guilty.

Another man, Woo Wai-man, 65, charged with the possession of 76,400 heroin pills at a flat in Shanghai Street on March 9, also pleaded guilty and was sentenced to three years' hard labour.

A widow, Li Yu, was similarly sentenced for the possession of 31,500 heroin pills at a flat in Johnston Road, on March 25. She asked for leniency, but the Lordship said he had frequently said he was not making any exception for sex or age or anything else.

Mr. E. H. Williams, the Assistant Attorney-General, who prosecuted in all the cases, said that the flat was apparently a depot for the pills.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

	Banks
H.K. Bank, \$1,545 b.	
H.K. Bank (Lon. Reg.), £92 n.	
Chartered Bank, £12 1/4 n.	
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., £28 n.	
Mercantile Bank, C., £14 n.	
East Asia Bank, \$80 n.	

	Insurance
Canton Ins., \$275 sa.	
Union Ins., \$520 b.	
China Underwriters, \$2,15 b.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$233 n.	

	Shipping
H.K. Steamships, \$23 b.	
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.	
Indo-China (Def.), \$24 n.	
Shell Bearer, 85 1/2 n.	
Union Waterboats, \$8,90 n.	

	Docks etc.
H.K. & W. Wharves, 132 1/2 b.	
H.K. & W. Docks, \$2,170 n.	
H.K. & W. Docks (new), \$21 n.	
H.K. & W. Docks Rts., \$11 n.	
Providents (old), \$3,65 b. and sa.	
Providents (new), \$3 1/2 s.	
New Engineering, Sh. \$4,05 n.	
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$98 n.	
Kailan Mining Adm., 15/- n.	
Rauhs, \$8 1/2 b.	
Venz: Goldfield, \$4 n.	

	Mining
Hongkong Mines, 10 1/2 b. and sa.	

	Philippine
Antanoks, P. 52 sa.	
Atolls, P. 24 sa.	
Bugulo Gold, P. 22 sa.	
Banquet Consol., P. 9.50 sa.	
Benguet Explor., —	
Big Wedge, P. —	
Coco Proves, P. 46 1/2 sa.	
Consolidated Mines, P. 9.11 sa.	
Demonstrations, P. 34 sa.	
E. Mindanao, P. —	
Gumaus G'fields, P. —	
Ipo Gold, P. —	
I.K.L., P. 68 sa.	
Ilogons, P. —	
Masbate Consols., P. —	
Min. Resources, P. —	
Northern Min., P. —	
Paracale Gumaus, P. 16 sa.	
Salel Mining, P. —	
San Mateo, P. 46 1/2 sa.	
Suyoc Consol., P. 17 1/2 sa.	
United Paracales, P. 41 sa.	

	Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$6,40 b.	
H.K. Lands, \$38 1/2 b.	
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben \$100 1/4 b.	
Shai Lands, Sh. \$9 n.	
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —	
Humphries, \$0.10 b.	
H.K. Realities, \$5,20 n.	
Chinese Estates, \$0.8 n.	
China Realities, Sh. —	
China Deben, —	

	Public Utilities
H.K. Tramways, \$15,85 b.	
Peak Trams (old), \$7 b.	
Peak Trams (new), \$3 1/4 n.	
Star Ferries, \$59 1/4 n.	
Yauwatt Ferries (old), \$24.00 n.	
China Light (old), \$11.85 b. and sa.	
ex. div.	

	China Light (new), \$9 n.
H.K. Electric, \$59 1/2 b.	
Macao Electric, \$18 n.	
Sandakan Lights, \$14 1/2 n.	
Telephone (old), \$26 1/2 b.	
Telephone (new), \$10.35 b.	
China Buses, Sh. —	
Singapore Traction, 25/- n.	
Singapore Pref., 25/- n.	

	Cold: Macg. (old), Sh. \$14 1/4 n.
Cold: Macg. (Prof.), Sh. \$12 1/4 n.	
Canton Ice, \$1.70 n.	
Cements, \$17.20 b.	
H.K. Ropes, \$4 1/2 b.	

	Stores, &c.
Dairy Farm, \$24 1/2 b.	
Watson, \$8 1/4	
Lane Crawfords, \$9 1/4 n.	
Sinceres, \$2.20 n.	
Wing On (H.K.), \$49 n.	
William Fowell Ltd., 70 cts. n.	

	Cotton Mills
Ewo Cotton, Sh. \$14 1/2 n.	
Shai Cotton (old), Sh. \$74 n.	
Zong Sing, Sh. \$35 b.	
Wing On Textiles, Sh. —	

	Miscellaneous
H.K. Entertainment, \$0 1/4 n.	
Constructions, \$1 1/4 b.	
Vibro Filling, \$5 1/4 n.	
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.Bds., 77% n.	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% prm. n.	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 3% prm. b.	
Wallace Harpers, \$12 1/2 n.	
Maramans Ins. (Lon.), 12/6 n.	
Maramans Ins. (H.K.), 8/- 3/10 b.	

FINED FOR FAILING
TO TELL POLICE
OF HER MARRIAGE

A Chilean woman, Miss Lily Sui Sanchez, was summoned before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for failing to notify the police that she had changed her nationality by marriage, and her address from Prince Edward Road to Conduit Road.

Acting Sub-Inspector J. Edwards said that the defendant was registered with the police in March 1936 as a Chilean subject, and her address was then No. 305 Prince Edward Road.

On April 8, the police sent for a Mrs. Pedro de Souza of No. 8 Conduit Road to establish her nationality, as no person by that name was in the police registers. At the Registration Office it was found that Mrs. de Souza was the former Miss Sanchez. This morning she said in Court, "I thought I only had to report when I leave the Colony."

A fine of \$10 was imposed.

FISH-STALL FOKIS
ASSAULT WOMAN

Two fish-stall fokis were each bound over in a cash bond of \$10 for a year by Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy today for assaulting a woman yesterday. If the \$10 is not obtained, the two men will go to gaol for a week.

Inspector W. Mair said that the woman went to the Western Market to buy fish and inquired of the first defendant the price of one. The man cut off a slice, but the woman did not buy it.

Apparently resenting this, the first defendant threw a bucket of water over her, and his companion, the second defendant, was alleged to have hit the woman over the mouth, cutting her upper lip.

FORGERY CASE ADJOURNED

Three Chinese, Yung Pik, 25, Chan Kin, 30, and Yung Yee, 46, were charged before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Central Magistracy this morning on five counts of possession of forged banknotes and one of possession of instruments for forgery. The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almeida, J.P., said he was appearing for all three accused, and denied not guilty. The case was adjourned.

Summons for having driven a lorry in King's Road near North Point on April 15 at a speed of 32 miles, Mr. E. Hibbard of Wellington Barracks was fined \$10 by Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy today. The police said that the road was clear at the time.

half divisions from Japan, which recently landed at Tsingtau. Meanwhile, the Chinese side is also rushing large contingents of fresh troops to the area, though the exact number is kept a secret. Among these are many units newly trained and equipped with the most up-to-date armaments.—Central News.

French Congratulatory Message

Hankow, Apr. 19.

A message of congratulation on China's recent victories has been received by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek from the Union of Chinese People's Friends in France.

The Union, it is learned, was recently formed by 52 public organisations in France.—Central News.

Fighting Continues At Yihai

Hankow, Apr. 19.

Whilst waiting for reinforcements, the Japanese troops in and around Yihai are still desperately resisting the Chinese onslaughts.

Seesaw operations have been going on in the villages southeast of Yihai, Wuchang and Kuohai. In a determined assault yesterday the Chinese forces slaughtered some 300 Japanese at Wuchang. A Chinese regimental commander, a vice-regimental commander and a battalion commander, who led the attack, were killed.

At Kuohai the Japanese launched a fierce attack in an attempt to break the Chinese position. The Chinese troops jumped out of their trenches and challenged the attackers in a hand-to-hand engagement. When the Japanese withdrew after suffering heavy losses, the Chinese launched a counter-attack, inflicting even greater casualties.

The recapture of Hanchwang on the Hienhai-Pukow Railway by Chinese forces yesterday is confirmed by a telephone message from Likuoyi, a station south of Hanchwang.

According to the message, no sooner had the Chinese re-entered Hanchwang than two columns of Japanese reinforcements from the east and west of the railway launched an attack in an effort to dislodge them before they could gain a firm foothold. Fighting vigorously, the Chinese repulsed the column from the east and surrounded the column from the west at Likuoyi, a point north of Hanchwang. Occupying some block-houses, this column is still holding out against the Chinese.—Central News.

Minor Success Claimed

Shanghai, Apr. 19.

Japanese reports from Taiyuan state that a surprise attack by an unnamed Japanese detachment routed 500 Chinese soon after the latter had crossed the Yellow River and attempted to push into Shanai.

Japanese military quarters refused to disclose the exact position of the field of action but said the Chinese, in the retreat, left 130 dead behind, one trench mortar, one light machine-gun, 65 rifles and 250 hand grenades.

The Japanese detachment lost three killed and three wounded, it is alleged.—United Press.

CHINESE WIN GROUND NEAR SHANGHAI

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CONVICTED INDIANS APPEAL

Life Imprisonment Excessive Sentence, Counsel Argue

Convicted of the manslaughter of a comrade named Hayat Mohammed, 35, at Green Island on February 17, when they were tried for murder before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the March Criminal Sessions, and sentenced to life imprisonment, two Indian guards, Sher Zaman, 23, and Fatch Khan, 25, appealed against the sentence before the Judge, Mr. Justice J. E. Lindell, and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser, in the Court of Criminal Appeal this morning.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, instructed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, appeared for Zaman, and Mr. G. She, instructed by Mr. A. S. K. Lau, appeared for Khan.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, was for the Crown.

Mr. She said he was appealing against the verdict on the grounds that it was against the weight of evidence, and even though it may have been right, sentence was excessive.

Mr. Fitzroy submitted that his client maintained he was alone with the deceased, and contended that the sentence was excessive. Counsel also claimed that the learned trial judge had misdirected the jury.

The hearing was adjourned to 2.30 p.m. on Friday.

EVASION OF STAMP DUTY DRAWS FINE

An effort to evade 10 cents stamp duty cost a Chinese shop keeper, Kam Siu-kul, of Chung Sau Street, \$25 when he appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a summons for splitting a receipt. He admitted executing two receipts, one for \$12.64 and the other for \$10 for a single bill of \$22.64. A stamp is not necessary for sums less than \$20.

Detective Sergeant R. Grainger said one bill had been made out for the full amount, and then the first figure was altered from one to two, and another entry was made.

Fines of \$15 each were imposed on two other Chinese, Chan Tang, and a woman, Lo Kam, for putting five cent stamps instead of 10 cent stamps on receipts.

Both pleaded defective eyesight as a reason, Chan blaming his accountancy, who he said had since been dismissed, and the woman saying that her own eyes had been weak.

Ser. Grainger said that Chan's shop had a previous conviction for the same offence, while the woman, a rent collector had had a number of other receipts ready with five cent stamps on, awaiting a signature.

COUNTERFEITER SENTENCED

Sentenced to four years' imprisonment was imposed on Luk Chun, 23, when he pleaded guilty to various charges before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The accused was charged with possession of moulds for making old Hongkong ten cent pieces, possession of 134 counterfeit coins, and making four counterfeit ten cent pieces in a house on Yu Chau Street, Kowloon, on March 15.

Remarking that on his own admission he had helped to put the counterfeit money into circulation in large amounts, this being most detrimental, especially to poor people, His Lordship imposed on each of the first three charges two years with hard labour and four years with hard labour on the last charge, the sentences to run concurrently.

VAGRANT BELIEVED TO BE STOWAWAY

An American, Joseph Kaplan, 27, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning charged with entering the Colony yesterday without a valid passport and with being a vagrant. "We believe," said Detective-Sergeant Russell, "that the defendant stowed away from Manila to Hongkong by the President Pearce, but we are unable to prove this."

The defendant was formerly employed on board the President Jefferson, said the Sergeant, and had missed his ship in Manila.

On the first charge an expulsion order was made against the defendant, and on the second he was committed to the House of Detention.

WATCHMAN FAILS TO ANSWER CHARGE

Failing to answer his name before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, on a charge of attempting to obtain a bribe of \$100 to release an arrested opium carrier, Li Hong-sang, a District Watchman, had his bail of \$500 forfeited, and a warrant was issued for his arrest.

The Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. E. H. Williams, prosecuted.

POST OFFICE.

AIR MAIL LETTERS

Air mail letters may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taken with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

AIR MAIL SERVICES

Air Mail Services to Shanghai, Nanking, Tsingtau, Tientsin and Peking are temporarily suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so super-scribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Japan and Shanghai	Agamemnon	April 19
Shanghai and Foochow	Kingyuan	April 19
Straits	Mentor	April 19
Japan	Yuensang	April 19
Saloon	Albert Sarraut	April 20
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	April 20
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 14th April.		
Shanghai and Foochow	Imperial Airways Plane	April 20
Japan	Shantung	April 20
Australia and Manila	Cyclops	April 21
Calcutta and Straits	Kamo Maru	April 21
Japan	Sulsang	April 21
Japan and Shanghai	Tilawa	April 21
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 2nd April).	Bhutan	April 22
Japan and Formosa	Emp. of Canada	April 22
Japan	Haruna Maru	April 22
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 15th April	Kitano Maru	April 22
Straits	Pan American Airways Plane	April 22
Straits	Patroclus	April 22
Shanghai and Amoy	Bellerophon	April 23
Manila	Cheklung	April 23
Japan and Shanghai	Glaucus	April 23
Japan	Potsdam	April 24
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, and Manila (San Francisco, 25th March).	Alpore	April 26
Straits	Nellore	April 26
Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Taft	April 28
Straits	Philoctetes	April 28
	Rawalpindi	April 29
	Conte Verde	April 30

FRANCO'S ADVANCE IS IRRESISTIBLE

Hendaye, Apr. 18.

A force of 20,000 Loyalists, including British and American volunteers with the International Brigades, is trapped in the Ebro Valley. The Insurgents, meanwhile, are encircling Tortosa and are within rifle range of the desperate garrison.

The Insurgents have extended the breach between northern and southern "Loyalist" Spain by more than 43 miles, having driven to the Mediterranean beyond Benicarlo.

North of Vinaroz the Insurgents have occupied Amposts, and another column has marched into Santa Barbara, six miles south of Tortosa.

Simultaneously, thousands of Insurgent troops have landed at Vinaroz to aid in conquering the still stoutly defended delta country there.

—United Press.

CLOSE ON TORTOSA

San Sebastian, Apr. 18. Following a double advance from the north and the south, the Insurgents have reached the outskirts of Tortosa.

The main part of the town lies on the opposite bank of the Ebro River, and it is considered certain that the Loyalists will blow up the bridges.

—Reuter.

AIR RAIDERS SINK WARSHIP

Hendaye, April 18. The Salamanca headquarters of the insurgent army announces that troops have reached the outskirts of Tortosa.

A fleet of air raiders, a spokesman said, dropped 80 tons of bombs on Cartagena and sank one Loyalist warship and damaged four others.

Meanwhile, it is reported the Insurgents have seized Chertin by means of rapid encirclement.

THE BUILDING OF A BATTLESHIP

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tain ideals of guns and gun mountings. They will say that a certain thickness of armour is required to withstand a certain type of shell.

The air bombing experts will lay down requirements for deck armour, the torpedo experts will specify underwater protection and subdivision of the hull. The engineers will decide upon the engines, boilers, and stowage for fuel and water required.

And the answer to all these ideal requirements is invariably that they run counter to one another in some way or another, notwithstanding the fact that, individually, they are the product of experience and experiment. And then, when they can be made to fit into one another, a further adjustment of each one of them is probably necessary before the compromise will fit into the limits laid down by treaty.

And only when all this has been done and the design has settled can tenders be called for from contractors, not only for the building of the hull and the construction of the boilers and engines and gun mountings, but for all manner of sub-contracts ranging from lamp-shades to delicate fire control instruments. These tenders have to be compared. And here again experience has to be taken into account. The lowest tender may not prove to be either the cheapest or the most efficient in the long run.

Finally the contract is placed. The keel is laid with due ceremony, and the great ship begins to take shape. Thousands of men are employed. Not all of these even know that their work is going to forge an instrument of Empire security. It has been said that 80 per cent. of the cost of any warship goes out in wages. This does not mean to the shipbuilders alone. Men delve for iron ore. Men smelt the iron, convert it into steel. Men work the giant ingots, rolling them into plates or fashioning girders.

It is only after all this is done that the shipbuilding employees get to work. And, concurrently with the building of the hull, all manner of other trades are called to assist in the great work. It is hardly an exaggeration to say that three-quarters of the trades of the country are indirectly employed upon material or components for the ship.

Glass-workers, instrument makers, joiners, smiths, paint-makers, even upholsterers, play their part. It may not be a large part. It probably is not a conscious part. But it is nevertheless an important part.

And it is because the vessel is the outcome of constant experimentation and careful compromise, and because she is built by the carefully blended efforts of British craftsmen in all sorts of different trades, that she grows into a vessel worth every penny of her price and capable of contributing to the maximum possible degree to the security of the Empire and the people who made her.

PARDON FOR TOWNSEND

Washington, Apr. 18. President F. D. Roosevelt has pardoned Dr. Francis Townsend, elderly author of the Old Age Revolving Pensions Scheme, recently sentenced to a month's imprisonment for contempt of the House of Representatives. He had walked out of the Congressional Committee meeting which was inquiring into his scheme.

GARNER MAY SPLIT DEMOCRATS

Roosevelt's Spending Scheme May Cause Political Chaos

Washington, Apr. 18. Despite denials, it is persistently affirmed that the Vice-President, Mr. John Garner, is objecting to President Roosevelt's spending programme with an emphasis that bodes ill for the Administration.

Although Vice-President Garner fought for all the President's objectives for five years, he has never been a New Dealer, but really belongs to the conservative southern Democrats, who have recently done much to oppose the President.

If Vice-President Garner were to throw in his weight with this bloc, the Republicans who are opposing the spending programme would be greatly encouraged, while the Democrats might be split with serious consequences to President Roosevelt during his remaining two years in office, quite apart from the economic paralysis which might follow an Administration division on such a vital issue.

New Deal supporters are convinced that the conservative Democrats who are sabotaging their objectives must be defeated at the forthcoming primary elections, and believe that more progressive men will be elected in their place. The Vice-President, however, cannot be defeated, so the President and he must work together if congressional chaos is to be avoided.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police, issued today, read:

CHINESE COMPANY
Training Course—Part II. The undermentioned members of the Chinese Company will attend Chinese Company Headquarters for Part II. of Training Course on Tuesday, April 19 at 5.15 p.m.:
Constables R22 Fong Hing, R82 Stern Ho, R90 Yuen Siu Tung, R94 Lau Hung Kim, R81 Yu Shiu Tung, R89 Hung Woon Man, R75 J. Anthony Yim, and R83 Shiu Hung Yuen.

INDIAN COMPANY
Training Course—Part II. The undermentioned members of the Indian Company will attend Indian Company Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Part II. of Training Course on Tuesday, April 19 under L.S.R. 214 Chandra Singh:
Constables R246 M. Y. Khan, R219 Nur Ahmed, R297 Karam Khan, R211 S. Aras, R215 Feroz Khan, R223 Firdos Khan, R229 M. R. Malik, R279 Mir Wali Khan, and R221 Hakim Ali.

FLYING SQUAD
Instructional Patrol. An instructional patrol for members of the Flying Squad will be carried out on Friday, April 20. All members will parade at Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. Dress—White Uniform, and Cap with White Cover.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE
1st Aid Instructions. First Aid Instructions will be given by Inspector (R) W. V. Field at the E.U.R. Club on Friday, April 22 at 5.30 p.m. All members are requested to attend.
C. CHAMPKIN, D.S.P. (R).

MANILA SHARES

The following business done quotations were received after the close of the morning session by Swan, Culbertson & Fritz from their Manila office:

Business Done	Prices in Pesos
Antamok	31
Atok	31
Benguet Consolidated	0.50
Coco Grove	0.50
Consolidated Mines	Unquoted
Demonstration	35
I.L.M.	70
Mine Operations	Unquoted
Paracale Gumau	Unquoted
San Marcelino	40
United Paracale	Unquoted

The tone of the market—Steady.

Hitler Dominant In Europe: Is Really Entrenched Now

HAS BUILT UP GERMAN NATION IN FIVE YEARS

By WEBB MILLER

United Press Staff Correspondent

BERLIN. ADOLF HITLER IS THE DOMINANT RULER IN EUROPE TODAY AND NEVER BEFORE IN THE FIVE YEARS OF THE NAZI REGIME HAS HE BEEN MORE FIRMLY ENTRENCHED AT HOME. Studying him as he made his speech to the German nation on February 19 in the Kroll Opera House one realized that here was the man, above all others in Europe, who by diplomacy and gestures of force had lifted himself into the saddle of Middle Europe.

Events confirmed that impression when I returned to the United Press office here and read that in London Foreign Minister Anthony Eden had resigned because of a British-Cabinet split over policy toward Germany; that in Rome Mussolini, Hitler's ally, was silent, and that his silence apparently gave consent to what the Fuehrer had said; that the people in the streets of Vienna had responded to the speech with loud "Heils" and that millions of ears were close to radios in the Balkans.

His black hair tumbling across his forehead, his arms waving, Hitler, who was born outside the boundaries of Germany had shouted:

"In five years I have built up the German army. Nobody doubts that I am the leader of the Reich."

At the beginning of his sixth year in power Hitler has a stronger grasp on a nation of 65,000,000 persons than ever before.

His prestige has been immensely enhanced by his first successful steps in Nazifying the German army and diplomatic corps.

He has taken a long stride toward fulfilment of his ambition to create a "greater Germany" by beginning a virtual political assimilation of Austria.

He has brought about a "bloodless purge" of the army command without shaking Nazi influence among the men who fight the battles—the common soldiers.

Hitler's policy appears to be a sort of jigsaw puzzle into which new pieces are fitted whenever time suits him to place them there. At the time of his speech, he had already fitted in some pieces, but there still are gaps because of the extraordinary secrecy that surrounds anything concerning the army and because of the Nazis' drastic and effective control of sources of information.

RECENT ARMY PURGE
It is difficult to understand the recent army purge unless it is kept in mind that under Nazi ideology the party is the state and thus any disaffection toward the party constitutes disaffection toward the state. It is well known that many of the high-placed German army officers always held themselves aloof from the Nazi regime just as they did from the republican regime that preceded it.

Hitler knew that many of these officers regarded the Nazis as upstarts; that they thoroughly disagreed with such important phases of Nazi policy as the attitude toward the church and toward political education within the army.

This attitude persists despite Hitler's generous treatment of the army. He gave it almost unlimited money. He doubled its size. He brought back into active service many of the old Prussian officers who almost constitute a caste in Germany. He restored these officers to power, realizing full well that they would be a potential menace to the Nazis in any critical situation.

Twice at least—during the occupation of the Rhineland and when Hitler embarked upon his policy of intervention in the Spanish war—army officers attempted to restrain him. He ignored their advice.

CAUGHT BETWEEN TWO FORCES
For months Hitler has been caught between two forces, the army and the Nazi officials. To the Nazis, the attitude of the high army officers was a serious offence. They urged Hitler to deal with this virtual "state within a state" and bring everyone into allegiance to the swastika. In the light of what has happened since, it develops that Hitler merely was waiting



HERR HITLER
"Black Hair Tumbling Across His Forehead."

ELECTRIC WONDER HOSPITAL

CLEAN, SMOKELESS AND SILENT

Hospital architects and managements throughout the world will watch with interest the operation of an all-electric hospital at Hobart, Tasmania, to be finished in two years.

A world search was made for the largest all-electric boiler ever built in a hospital. It will be installed in a central position to obviate heat losses and will supply a hot water radiation heating system. The four operating theatres will have special air conditioning systems whereby the air will be filtered, scrubbed and heated by electric coils. Fans will exhaust the air from rooms where steam might produce excessive humidity.

In all the kitchen operations, electricity will be used and electrically heated food trolleys will keep the hot dishes at the right temperature, states *Austral News*.

Electric service at each patient's bedside will include separate and limited lights which can be switched on by the patient without disturbing others. A button, pushed by the patient, will turn on lights over the bed, the ward door, and at various points where nurses work, so that there will be minimum delay in attention. The lights cannot be extinguished until the nurse presses a secret button at the bedside. A paging light system links the whole hospital.

The Tasmanian government will foot the bill for the hospital electric power (the cheapest in Australia) which will be drawn from State undertakings.

ITALIAN TROOPS MUST NOT SWEAR

Rome. The Biblical commandment against blasphemy is being enforced energetically throughout the ranks of the Italian army. Posters have been pasted on walls of all military barracks. They read: "Blasphemy dishonours soldiers. Swearing is forbidden by article 274 of the Penal Code and by article 51 of the army regulations."

Believe that any officers have fled the country.

There is one paragraph in Hitler's autobiography, "Mein Kampf," which explains the basic reason for the army purge: "National Socialism imperiously demands the exclusive and unqualified recognition, as well as the complete transformation of the whole of public life, in accordance with its view. It is, therefore, unable to tolerate the co-existence of anything that represents a past state of affairs."—United Press.

AMERICAN ART DEALER SUES BRITISH COLLECTOR

New York, April 18.

The hearing of a \$400,000 suit against Lord Duveen by an American art dealer and collector, which was to have opened here to-day, has been postponed by the New York Supreme Court until October 3.

Postponement of the suit has been made with the consent of both parties, after the plaintiff, Carl Hamilton, stated that he wished to call Lord Duveen as a witness.

The case arises from an alleged criticism by Lord Duveen of two masterpieces which were offered for auction in New York in 1929. The action actually commenced nine years ago, the original claim being for \$100,000 on the ground that Lord Duveen had spoiled the market for Mrs. A. Hahn's picture "La Belle Ferroniere," by asserting that it was a copy of the original in the Louvre and not a genuine Leonardo da Vinci. Lord Duveen's collection of old Masters is probably the most priceless private collection in the world. He has made some stupendous purchases, including Gainsborough's "Boy Blue" (£137,000), Raphael's "Madonna and Child" (£133,750) the Benson collection of old Italian Masters (£250,000) and the ex-Kaiser's pictures (£250,000). His gifts to the British Art Gallery total over £1,000,000.—Reuter.

EGYPT'S RIGHTS RESPECTED

Separate Parleys With Italy

Cairo, Apr. 18. Separate Italo-Egyptian good neighbour negotiations will be held shortly, according to a statement made to-day by the Prime Minister, Mahmoud Pasha, replying to a Wafdist interpellation in the Chamber.

The Wafdist allege the Anglo-Italian agreement was achieved without the active participation of Egypt.

Mahmoud Pasha emphasised that Egypt was consulted and her rights fully respected.

He thanked the Italian Government for its goodwill and the British Ambassador for his friendship and genuine co-operation.—Reuter.

FRANCE FOLLOWS BRITAIN

London, Apr. 28.

The French Charge d'Affaires in Rome will see Count. Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, to-morrow as the first step towards the conclusion of an Italo-French agreement similar to the Anglo-Italian accord.—Reuter.

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PERENNIAL PROBLEM

People who own motor cars and matsheds and are able to make use of them through the weeks of hot weather now approaching are singularly fortunate. There is another strata of society not quite so fortunate, and mainly Chinese, which is able to walk or cycle or travel by bus to the more accessible seashore on Saturday afternoons and Sundays. On Easter Sunday hundreds of these latter invaded the beaches and it must be admitted the result was not entirely satisfactory from the point of view of the "regular customer." Scores of little people scattered sand and orange peel and bits of greasy paper, and got under foot. Large parties camped right at the door-step of the matshed-dwellers and practically spoiled the day for a good many people. The philosophical said: "It doesn't happen very often." But, nevertheless, they were not pleased. They pay their fifty dollars a year to the Government for the right to build a matshed and they pay a contractor anywhere from four hundred to fifteen hundred dollars to erect their summer shelters and they feel they have a right to a certain amount of privacy, if not exclusiveness. And so they have. But the beaches are public property and there can be no legislation to prevent anyone who has the energy to walk or the money to ride to them getting what enjoyment is possible there.

There are two or three things which might be done, however, to improve the situation. For instance, there might be some sort of beach supervision; rules which would prevent the nomadic tent dweller from pitching his camp in such a place that he shuts out the view and the cool sea breezes from the permanent inhabitant. There might be receptacles provided for the refuse from the feast; and somebody to see that they were used for the purpose. And there might be some sort of structure to serve the children in search of a public convenience, and somebody to see that it is used for the purposes for which it is intended. These are matters in which the authorities could exert themselves without hurting anyone's feelings. There is another suggestion, too, which is put with some trepidation, for it is by way of being a luxury plan. But it would be enormously useful. If picnic places at a little distance from the beaches, could be provided, with trestle tables and benches,

THE "VERY IDEA"

"ALASKA AND A-LASS," AS ESKIMOS SAY

By Eddie "Below Zero" Kelly

A COUPLE of summers ago we were in Greenland.

Now, there's a place!

We were boarding with a young married couple in a semi-detached igloo.

We shared the igloo with several other couples, as the refugee problem—several people like ourselves had fled to Greenland to escape Hongkong's summer—had created quite a rent problem.

The Greenland government was dickering between building some more igloos and fixing the rent at 25 dried fish per month. It appeared that rent would be fixed as most of the ice was required for adding to whiskies and sodas.

In the meantime the permanent iglooites, who were always having children, solved the problem of space by feeding their brats to dogs, otherwise, as they explained to us, they couldn't possibly find accommodation for refugees.

The dogs were half St. Bernard, half wolf and half Alsatian. Very savage. You had to hit them across the back with an axe to keep them from gnawing you. It was very annoying.

The food was plain but varied. Fried walrus one day; perhaps a bit of roast penguin the next day, or a fillet of whale. A fillet of whale may sound like a lie to you, but up in those parts you get an appetite that a mad hyena would be afraid to howl at.

We've eaten raw polar bear for hors d'oeuvres. Dilletantes eat them while they're still raw.

We had to leave Greenland in the end. We found that the Aurora Borealis didn't agree with us.

It tastes something like vodka, but it has a terrible effect on the stomach.

Since we returned to Hongkong, we have had to be very careful about our stomach. We can't take food, and we are on a strict diet of whisky, beer, gin, brandy, rum and very occasionally, as a special treat, a drop of stout.

We often pine for the carefree existence of the frozen north. And beautiful Mphistitokoki.

There's a girl for you. Her nature was so passionate that when we started clinching the igloo used to melt.

It seems years and years since we thaw her.

The Building of a Battleship

By
Lieut.-Commander
K. EDWARDS

R.N. (Ret.)

THE modern battleship costs £7,000,000—not a sum to be lightly spent, even by a Government.

In normal times the money available for the Navy is strictly limited, so that the decision to build a battleship involves economies in other directions such as the curtailing of cruiser or destroyer building. To-day the situation is rather different.

Rearmament is the order of the day, and the Government has said that no considerations are to weigh against the rapid attainment of security. But there is still no room for waste. The maximum degree of security must be got out of every penny spent, and skilled men cannot be spared to build a ship which is not to contribute some vital factor to the scheme of defence.

There are people who seem to think that the question of building a battleship is decided simply by a choleric and heavily gold-laced admiral who

They would have to be free or they would not be used by those for whom they are intended.

And finally—and this is the remedy for the whole of the overcrowding problem—new and bigger beaches should be made accessible to the general public; or alternatively, the old ones made more accessible, and more remote resorts opened up for the matshed or summer cottage dweller. It is natural that the "bus picnicer" should find his way in large numbers to Repulse Bay, for instance, and it is quite out of the question to place any restrictions in his way. But there are other places, on the Island and the mainland, where the general public has not yet made inroads, and which might be reserved for the more well-to-do who desire privacy and are willing to pay for it. It is suggested in all seriousness that the revenue which is derived from the matshed communities might very well be spent for developing beaches and picnic places for the less fortunate among the people of this Colony. Perhaps in such a scheme is the seed for the solution for a perennial problem which commences to be a distinct nuisance to a good many people, and which eventually will be really serious unless Hongkong grapples with it determinedly.

thumps the table in the Admiralty and declares: "There shall be battleships." This is a delightful fiction. The decision to build even one battleship is taken by the whole Board of Admiralty only after deep and earnest consideration of barrow-loads of evidence.

Much of this evidence is not strictly Admiralty evidence at all, but concerns carefully weighed Cabinet decisions regarding the state of foreign relations and the justification of foreign relations of peace. Then there are reports from naval attachés and from the Commander-in-Chief of foreign stations concerning the plans of other naval Powers. To-day there is yet another question to be considered. That is whether the great advances made in air power have rendered the battleship obsolete as a weapon of war. This is not a question which is decided by argument. The evidence of large numbers of highly technical experiments has to be examined and impartially have to be kept secret. It is obviously bad policy to broadcast the results of experiments which one believes will enable one to build a better ship than anybody else.

If the sum total of all these questions points without doubts to the need for the building of battleships, the Admiralty will recommend that battleships shall be built—provided, of course, that such a step is not forbidden by any disarmament treaty, as it has been for the last six years. Then the Cabinet considers the recommendation of the Admiralty in the light of many questions of foreign policy. If the answer remains for security, the building of such a ship will be authorised under the Navy Estimates or a Supplementary Estimate presented to Parliament.

But there is also the question of what the new battleship is to be like when completed. This decision can only be arrived at by the consideration of all manner of different factors. The consideration is always before the Admiralty; not because the Admiralty is always wanting to build battleships, but because, were it not so, much time might elapse after the authorisation of a ship before the design could be approved, and even then there would be a great chance of mistakes being made. It is only by keeping designs constantly up to date on paper that a truly efficient ship can be built when required.

First among the factors determining the design of battleships are the limitations imposed by treaty. At present these are 35,000 tons and 14-inch guns. Within these limits dozens of different "requirements" have to be juggled about before it is certain that the design will be a compromise giving a maximum possible efficiency in every department.

The requirements are drawn from many different sources. In the first place there are the plans of foreign navies. It is obviously useless to build a ship which will be inferior to those with whom it may have to fight. Then there are the findings deduced from the results of war games and fleet exercises carried out. From these the Commanders-in-Chief have formed the opinion that the ideal battleship shall have certain qualities of speed, armament, facility in manoeuvring, armour protection, and steaming radius.

Then the technicians step in. The gunnery experts will advocate car-

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



Do You SEE ENOUGH of YOUR SON?

By
J. H. Storrington

SIR PAUL LATHAM, Bart., M.P., has announced that he will not seek re-election to Parliament because he wishes to spend as much time as possible with his son, who is now three years old, and will in a few years' time go to boarding school.

His decision seems to have evoked a certain measure of surprise. I have nothing but admiration for the member for Scarborough.

Now we must be clear in our minds as to exactly what Sir Paul has done. He has not given up a career by which he derives his income, he has put aside an interest involving a considerable amount of work and a great expenditure of time, and offering little enough reward, so as to give his time to his child.

I have found great happiness in making decisions of a similar sort.

Time Begrudged

IF we look around us we shall see how slight and grudging is the share of time and thought which most fathers yield to their boys in their younger years...

Until a child is five or six it is, according to the economic standing of the house, left in the hands of its mother or nurse.

At the age of six or seven the boy attends some school, a prep school (usually as a boarder) if there is the money, so as to prepare for public or secondary school later.

In the holidays a father takes a certain notice of the child and continues his golf, his bridge, his darts, or his club as spirit moves him.

His own experience, his knowledge, his ideas very rarely guide the lad, and the understanding and affection between father and son only occasionally rank with those between mother and son.

Now, speaking of normal cases, there is, in my opinion, no tutor in the world from whom a boy can learn so much as from his father. I had this brought sharply to my notice when my own boy was about six.

I was fond of the little fellow, naturally, but he irritated me as much as he evoked my affection. His eternal questions interrupted my reading and other pursuits,

THEN one day he asked me something about a horse. I gave him the first answer that came to my head. There was silence for a considerable time, and though I continued reading I became conscious that all was not well beneath the yellow curls.

I glanced his way and saw that the little mouth was very down at the corners and there was something very shiny about the blue eyes. I felt like a bad cad, dropped my book and swept the child on to my lap and asked him with the sad looks betokened.

"You never answer my questions," he said in voice that was trying with desperation not to sob, "I hear you talking with other people and you tell them such interesting things."

"I try to remember some of them and ask you about them when the people have gone, but you answer me like a baby. I wanted to know if a man on a bicycle could go as fast as a horse, and you said: 'Downhill with the wind behind him'..."

That little speech and a lot that followed woke me from my utter selfishness. I realised that I had invited this little man into the world, into my house, and I was treating him as a nuisance.

So hard did remorse strike me that I actually tried to plan his education at my own hands.

I wondered if it would not be best for me to teach him myself during his prep days. To do so entirely I found impossible because of the need to work for my living. But I threw up golf and tennis and gave the time to him.

He Had Changed

LOVE of the task grew on me, and I forsook my clubs in my enjoyment of the response which came from the child.

And I found from his first school report onwards that I had enabled him to accumulate so much knowledge and to reason so well that he took his place with other boys with considerable advantage.

His first holidays were at once the saddest and the happiest moments of my life. I tried to renew the old relations, to search his mind for the marks of the new experience and smooth or deepen them with my mature knowledge. I suggested some of the games we used to play.

But something was amiss. He had changed. He sought the friendship of other boys and his conversation left me no openings. Daily he left me for other company.

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Japanese War Transport Now Paralysed

TROOP MOVEMENTS TO PRESSURE AREA MADE INEFFECTUAL

Counter-Thrust on Linyi Front Met and Checked

Hankow, Apr. 19.

Reviewing the military situation, General Hsu Pei-keng, chief intelligence officer at Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's headquarters, declared to-day that as far as is known the Japanese have transferred about one division, formerly operating in the north Shansi and west Suiyuan area, to Peiping.

Meanwhile, 3,000 Japanese troops have arrived at Linyi and launched an offensive against the Chinese positions without success there.

The Chinese continue to harass the Japanese along the Peiping-Suiyuan railway in Shansi, and in Anhwei and Chekiang are making it impossible for the Japanese to transport troops into Shantung to meet the Chinese offensive.

General Hsu emphasised that it is possible for the Japanese to send reinforcements from Japan proper and from Manchukuo, but such a step would expose Japan to the gravest dangers, it is believed.

The Chinese command, in any case, has completed arrangements to cope with any emergency.—Reuter.

Real "Dick Whittington" Passes Away

Sir Stephen Killik Rose From Errand Boy To Eminence

London, Apr. 18.
London's real-life Dick Whittington—the errand boy who became Lord Mayor—is dead, says Reuter.

Sir Stephen Killik was born in London in 1861 and attended St. Charles Roman Catholic College until he was 12, when he had to leave school to keep himself.

A job was found for him as errand boy to a London firm at five shillings a week.

Keen on learning all he could, young Killik spent his evenings in study and, so far as spare cash would allow, attended classes.

The fact that he had learnt shorthand secured for him in a few years a post in a stockbroker's office. There he lost no opportunity of applying the knowledge he had picked up to the best advantage and of adding to it by technical study.

He qualified as an incorporated accountant and in a few years set up in business for himself as a stockbroker, founding the firm of Killik and Co.

Being specially interested in American concerns, he made several journeys to the United States and South America. He became a recognised authority on Argentine affairs and was concerned with railway development there and in Colombia.

Meanwhile he had been elected an alderman of the City of London and a member of the Stock Exchange Committee. After the World War he helped to reorganise the city's finances, drawing up a scheme which restored them to a flourishing condition.

In 1922-3 he served as Sheriff and received a knighthood. He was a member of the council of the London Chamber of Commerce and held many directorships.

In Sept. 1934, Sir Stephen was elected Lord Mayor for 1934-5. He had married in 1887 a daughter of the late Mr. T. F. Molyneux, but she died in 1910. His daughter, Mrs. Stanley Greenland, therefore acted as Lady Mayoress.

The late Sir Stephen frequently wrote articles on financial and other subjects and also the books "Manual of Argentine Railways," "Stock Exchange Accounts" and "Premium or Bonus Bonds".

Anglo-Italian Pact Curtails "Axis" Mischief

Toronto, Apr. 18.

Commenting on the Anglo-Italian agreement, the Globe and Mail says: "To-day that the feds have announced that Italy will have no voice in the world for three years, the world is a different place."

The agreement, it is held, will curtail the mischief of the "Axis" powers, which have been menacing the world since the outbreak of the war.

WEALTHY SPORTSMAN VANISHES

Late Andrew Carnegie's Nephew Last Seen Starting Flight

New York, April 18.

Police and aviation circles are conducting a nation-wide search for Mr. Andrew Carnegie Whitfield, wealthy nephew of the late Andrew Carnegie, who has mysteriously disappeared on a solo flight from Roosevelt Airport.

Whitfield took off in his own plane for a short solo flight on April 15. Fears that he has crashed have been largely dispelled as a widespread search over land and sea has failed to disclose any trace of wreckage of his plane.

A surprising twist to the hunt was announced when the embarkation officer of the Red Star Line disclosed that a man closely resembling Whitfield boarded the steamer Westernland shortly before she sailed for Europe on Saturday.

The man was accompanied by an airman named Frank Teinman.

MARRIAGES

HARLEY-POTTER: The marriage took place at St. John's Cathedral, on the 18th April, 1938, by the Rev. H. W. Baines between Donald Stuart, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harley of Clanton, Surrey and Pamela, elder daughter of Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. and Mrs. Potter of Hongkong.

The marriage of Henrique Roldao de Pinna, son of Sebastiao Francisco and Augusta Maria de Pinna, to Augusta Maria Guterres, eldest daughter of Augusto Arthur and Emilia Maria Yanovich Guterres, will take place on Saturday, 23rd April, 1938, at 4.00 p.m. at the Rosary Church to be followed by a reception at the Club de Recreio. No card invitations are being issued, but all friends are cordially invited.

Wireless messages were sent to the Westernland, asking whether Whitfield was a passenger.

The Master of the ship has radioed, however, that Whitfield is not aboard. Teinman said that he last saw the missing man three weeks ago.—Reuter.

Gen. Franco Gets Pope's Blessing

Vatican City, Apr. 18.

The Papal Blessing has been bestowed upon General Francisco Franco, leader of the Spanish insurgents.

General Franco, on the occasion of the canonisation of a new Spanish Saint, the Franciscan missionary Salvator Dehorts, telegraphed His Holiness expressing gratitude for the canonisation and his loyalty to the Church.

The Pope replied, saying he was glad to hear of the canonisation of the saint, and that he was sending his traditional blessing to the Catholic Spain, and wishing him success in his fight for the liberation of Spain.

COVETED S. SEA ISLANDS

DIPLOMATIC WAR IN PROGRESS

Washington, Apr. 18.

The diplomatic war between the United States and Great Britain for possession of the small South Sea island of Canton, in the Phoenix group, and the neighbouring island of Enderbury, is believed to have reached another stage.

The two islands, lying on the route between Honolulu and New Zealand, attained strategic importance in recent years with the advent of commercial aviation across the Pacific.

New Zealand occupied the islands last year, when a radio station was erected on Canton. The United States Government, however, wishes to annex both islands, and an "expeditionary force" of four Hawaiian recently landed on the island to establish sovereignty.

This morning Mr. J. P. Moffat of the State Department, Admiral W. D. Leahy, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, and other officials attended the White House to discuss the two islands.

The conference has led to the belief that the Department of State has received some British communication regarding the recent American "expeditionary force."

Officials of the Department, however, are all silent and refuse to discuss the question.—United Press.

EXCHANGE OF VIEWS

Washington, Apr. 18.
A spokesman of the Department of State, in an interview with United Press, said that there was no definite information regarding the Pacific islands.

He added that the general objective of the White House conference was an inter-departmental exchange of information, and no announcement was expected.

Informal sources indicate that the Department of State is studying the forthcoming exchange of views with Great Britain regarding Canton and Enderbury islands.—United Press.

Broadbent Speeding To Record

Airman Pauses At Singapore Only To Get Fuel

Singapore, Apr. 18.

Australia's unlikely and pluckiest airman, Harry "Try Again" Broadbent, is winging swiftly on his way to the south, flying above the Netherlands East Indies where, a month ago, he crashed with the England-Australia record with his grasp.

He reached Singapore this evening, and staying only long enough to refuel his machine, left a few minutes afterwards for Port Darwin.

Broadbent is attempting to create a new record for the England-Australia-New Zealand flight, the present record being held by Clouston and Ricketts, who covered the course early this month.

Some beef and chicken essence, without which he never travels, is his only food on the last dangerous hop between Singapore and Port Darwin.

Broadbent earned the nickname "Try Again" because of the many courageous attempts he has made for various long distance records in the face of enormous obstacles.

He has already made four attempts on the England-Australia and Australia-England records. His first, in 1931, ended in failure when he was forced down and imprisoned in Turkey. He tried again in October, 1935, but made a forced landing at Basra when the record was within his grasp. Going on to England he was more fortunate on the return journey to Australia, beating Sir Charles Kingsford Smith's record by 7½ hours. His third attempt on the Australia-England record was successful, and he set a record that was not broken until Miss Joan Batten, the New Zealand aviatrix, made her astounding solo flight last year.

Broadbent had the record again in his grasp last month when he crashed on an island in the Timor group.—Reuter.

Mysterious Fire Follows Hankow Blast

Hankow, Apr. 19.

A huge conflagration broke out early yesterday afternoon following three explosions in a factory in the vicinity of Chungshan Park, on the western outskirts of the city.

Many matchboxes surrounding the factory were destroyed by the fire.

The cause of the explosion has not yet been ascertained. The fire raged for nearly two hours before it was brought under control.

CHINESE AVIATOR WEDS IN HONGKONG

Flying Colonel And Statesman's Daughter United

A wedding of considerable interest to Chinese political circles was solemnized on Saturday at the Hotel Cecil when Colonel Kuo-chu Yang, of the Chinese Air Force in Hankow, married Miss I-Hsi Yang, eldest daughter of the late General Yang Yung-tai, chairman of the Provincial Government of Hopei. Mayor O. K. Yui of Shanghai officiated while Mr. Cheng Shieh-hai undertook the duties of master of ceremonies.

The Hall was gaily decorated with roses, carnations and arum lilies. A large wedding ball of roses was displayed above the platform where the matrimonial rites were performed. The ceremonies were most impressive, but simple. Among those present were many prominent statesmen and well-known members of the local community.

In the course of a speech in Mandarin, Mayor Yui said that he and the newly wed couple were friends of many years' standing and that he had always admired their literary work which was so popular. Mayor Yui emphasized the sincerity and importance of matrimony by quoting a passage from the Confucian Analects. He added that the Chinese always regarded marriage as the most important event of life—for the nuptial vows led to the establishment of a home; and the home was, in turn, the indispensable means of building up a nation and of maintaining universal peace.

The bride who is well versed in both Chinese and Western literature and political science, is a renowned novelist. Her latest work is the translation of H. G. Wells' "The Shape of Things to Come," published by the Commercial Press. Prior to the present Sino-Japanese conflict, she was secretary to the City Government of Greater Shanghai.

BEAUTIFUL GOWN
She wore a beautiful wedding-gown of white satin. Her tulle veil was crowned by orange blossoms and her bouquet was of white roses.

The bridegroom, an ace flyer and also a writer, flew from Hankow to the Colony three days ago. He is on active service in Hankow and will fly back together with the bride tomorrow. They plan to spend the first part of their honeymoon "in bringing down enemy raiders," and then go to Szechuan and Russia to enjoy a peaceful holiday.

The only bridesmaid, Miss Doily Yang, who wore a beautiful mauve tulle frock, is the sister of the bride. She carried a bouquet of pink roses. The duties of best man were undertaken by Mr. Michael Cheung.

The many presents from high government officials and friends were tastefully displayed in the home of the newly-wed couple, while telegrams of congratulations were in great abundance.

A big Chinese banquet was given in the new dining-room of the hotel in the evening. The party was well over 80, including Mayor and Madame O. K. Yui, Madame Yang Yung-tai, Mr. Wu Tze-chang, Mr. and Mrs. Choy Jen-kai, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Pak-chiu, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Sun-fook, Mr. Sung Pok and others. A small table was also arranged for small children who enjoyed both the occasion and the sumptuous feast to their hearts' content.

Fraudulent Conversion Admitted

Two Years' Prison For H.K. Jeweller

Sentence of two years' hard labour on each count, the terms to run concurrently, was passed on Ng Tat-sheung, 29, unemployed jeweller, when he pleaded guilty before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, to four charges of fraudulent conversion of quantities of valuable jewellery.

He was alleged with fraudulently converting to his own use \$2,075.50 worth of jewellery given him to sell by the Tin Po Jewellers on April 18, 1937; \$12,300 worth of jewellery given him to sell by the Tin Mow Jewellers on the same date; \$2,800 worth of jewellery given him to sell by the Tai Wing Jewellers on April 18, 1937; and \$370 worth of jewellery given him to sell by the Tai Wing Jewellers on April 17.

Defendant was alleged to have absconded with the jewellery after it had been in his possession for a few days. Mr. E. R. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, who prosecuted, said Ng was arrested in Saigon about December 1 last year, and after serving a short sentence there, was sent back to Hongkong for trial. Only one piece of jewellery worth about \$1,000 had been recovered.

Ng claimed that the necklace, which was valued at \$2,000, was stolen from him by a friend who had been in the habit of borrowing it from him.

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RADIO BROADCAST

Eva Turner (Soprano) From the Studio ROTARY SPEECH

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.'s, 952 m.c.'s, per second. 12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Services of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Raymond Newell (Baritone). Let Me Love You To-Night (Grey, Waller and Tunbridge); Here's To Life (Talbot and Atkinson); Mandolin (R. Kipling and C. Willeby).

12.40 New Light Symphony Orchestra. Buffoon (Confrey); Liebestraume (Liszt); Kamennol-Ostrow-Op. 10, No. 22 (Rubinstein); "La Boheme"—Selection.

1.00 Time and Weather. 1.03 Greta Keller and Primo Scala's Accordion Band. Six Hits Of The Day, No. 14. Accordion Band; A Little Rhapsody In Springtime With You. Greta Keller; "On With The Show"—The Selection. Accordion Band; The Laugh Was On Me (Strachey, Carter); When I Learn French (Thornon). Greta Keller; Six Hits Of The Day, No. 16. Accordion Band.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Rotary Tiffin Speech relayed from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

2.15 Close Down. 2.30 Chinese Programme. 2.40 Dance Music. Fox-Trots—Goody-Goody; It's Been So Long (From "The Great Ziegfeld"). Benny Goodman and His Orchestra, vocal refrain by Helen Ward; Rumba; Fox-Trot—La Cucaracha; Tango—A Media Luz. Orchestra Tipica Roberto Firpo with vocal refrain, Fox-Trots—The Jester; The Tea Dolls Parade. Bravour Dance Orchestra; Slow Fox-Trot—A Little Bit Independent; Will Love Find A Way. Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orpheans with vocal chorus; Waltzes—Raisins And Almonds; Rehearsing A Lullaby. Phil Green and His Rhythm with vocal chorus.

7.30 Closing local Stock Quotations. 7.32 Variety. Vocal—Peter's Pop Keeps A Lollipop Shop; I'm An Old Cow-Hand From The Rio Grande. The Rocky Mountaineers accom. by The Bunk House Boys; Banjo Solo—White Rose (Oakley); Tony (Oakley). Olly Oakley (Banjo) with piano accom. Vocal—Tumbling Tumble Weeds (Nolan); Going Home. Jack Savage and His Cowboy; Novelty—Top (Composed by John Watt). Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Bilet—Symphony No. 1 In C Major. Played by The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Walter Goehr.

8.30 Studio—A Recital by Eva Turner (Soprano) accompanied by Lindsay A. Lafford (Piano). 1. Recit. And Air; No more shall armed bands; Beneath the Vine. From Solomon (1748)—(Handel); 2. Pastoral (arr. Lane Wilson); 3. Over The Mountains (arr. Quilter); 4. Spring Solo—Lindsay A. Lafford; 5. Spring's Arrival. (Schumann); 6. Trust In Spring. (Schubert); 7. The Cherry Tree. (Alma Coult).

9.0 London Relay—The Fourth Man by Michael Brett. Characters: Mark Stammers—Leader of a gang of modern smugglers; "Tiny" Martin; Andrew Lampson; Charlie Menker; Louis Evans; Birchett.

Scene: In the saloon of the motor yacht "Four Spades". The production by Howard Rose. 9.30 London Relay—The News. 9.50 Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Bitone). Danny Deever (Kipling—Dampoch); Tommy Lad (Teschemacher—Margaret); Where's The Sergeant? (Longstaffe).

10.0 London Relay—"Gaffer and Gavotte". A West Country programme of simple humour and sophisticated dance, including four West Country dialect sketches. Produced by Cyril Wood.

11.0 Close Down.

DECREE NISI GRANTED

A decree nisi, to be made absolute in three months, was obtained in the Divorce Court before His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, this morning by Nina Danilevna Archipoff, petitioner, against Paul Peter Archipoff, who was not represented.

The petition was represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro, Jnr., instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Parties to the action were married in 1933.

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SKULLS MAKE RAIN

New York.
Indians in Dakota have regained two human skulls which years ago their tribe possessed to bring rain. The Indians believe that the skulls belonged to "spirits" who visited earth in human form.

Directly a missionary took the skulls from the tribe 30 years ago, the rainfall fell by several inches every year.

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ARSENAL'S HOPES NOW SERIOUSLY JEOPARDISED

ONE POINT WON FROM THREE ENCOUNTERS

WOLVES' PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHTEST AT PRESENT

London, Apr. 18.

The Arsenal seriously jeopardised their chances of winning the championship of the First Division of the English Football League by their failure in the Easter matches. In three games played during the holidays, they could take only one point. They lost twice to Brentford.

Though held to a draw by Leicester to-day, the Wolves are in a very favourable position. They are now on level terms with the Gunners, but they have two matches in hand.

Sheffield United have taken the lead in the Second Division, but though they are two points ahead of Aston Villa, the latter have no fewer than four matches in hand.

Sheffield United to-day won two more points, this time at the expense of Tottenham, while the Villa players were beaten by Swansea.

Results were as follows:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Bolton	2	Manchester C.	1
Brentford	3	Arsenal	0
Charlton	4	Blackpool	1
Derby	0	Huddersfield	1
Leicester	1	Wolves	1
Liverpool	1	Middlesbrough	0
Portsmouth	3	Grimsby	0
Preston N.E.	0	Chelsea	0
Sinke	0	Leeds	0
Sunderland	2	Everton	0
West Brom.	4	Birmingham	3

LEAGUE TABLE

Teams	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Arsenal	30	18	10	11	68	43	46
Wolves	37	15	10	9	66	45	46
Preston	38	15	8	11	61	41	45
Brentford	39	18	13	67	52	44	
Charlton	37	16	11	10	61	44	43

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley	1	Coventry	1
Blackburn	1	Sheffield W.	0
Bradford	3	Sheffield F.	2
Luton	2	Nottingham	0
Manchester U.	4	Bury	0
Norwich	1	Newcastle	1
Plymouth	2	West Ham	0
Sheffield U.	1	Tottenham	0
Southampton	0	Fulham	0
Stockport	0	Bury	1
Swansea	2	Aston Villa	1

LEAGUE TABLE

Teams	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Sheffield U.	40	21	9	10	69	51	
Aston Villa	36	21	7	8	61	29	45
Coventry	38	11	8	19	40	40	
Manchester U.	30	20	9	10	77	48	40

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bristol R.	2	Cardiff	1
Exeter	0	Reading	2
Gillingham	2	Crystal Pal.	4

Mansfield	3	Bournemouth	2
Newport	0	Bristol C.	0
Northampton	1	Walsall	1
Notts C.	1	Watford	2
Queen's P.R.	3	Clapton O.	2
Southend	4	Aldershot	1
Swindon	1	Millwall	2
Torquay	0	Brighton	1

LEAGUE TABLE

Teams	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Queen's P.R.	30	20	9	10	71	43	49
Watford	39	10	11	9	69	41	49
Millwall	38	10	10	9	60	30	48
Bristol C.	30	17	12	7	55	32	46
Brighton	30	19	8	11	58	39	46
Reading	38	18	10	10	65	64	46

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barrow	0	Hartlepool	0
Carlisle	0	Rochdale	1
Darlington	1	New Brighton	0
Gateshead	0	Oldham	0
Hull	0	Doncaster	0
Lincoln	3	Port Vale	0
Northampton	1	Crewe	0
Tranmere	7	Southport	1
Wrexham	3	Chester	0

LEAGUE TABLE

Teams	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Tranmere	38	20	9	9	76	40	49
Doncaster	38	10	9	9	69	40	48
Oldham	37	17	13	7	62	41	47
Hull	37	17	12	8	65	30	46

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Celtic	3	Dundee	0
Partick	1	Rangers	0

RUGBY MATCHES AT HOME

Barbarians Beaten By Swansea

The following are the results of Rugby Union matches played to-day:

Bath	0	O.M.T.	16
Bridgend	9	Coventry	16
Bristol	9	Headingley	8
Cardiff	13	Harlequins	13
Dublin Wanderers	3	Birkenhead	15
Gloucester	12	University A.U.	11
Newport	14	London Welsh	18
Northern	6	Blackheath	15
North of Ireland	16	Manchester	24
Plymouth Albion	13	Leicester	10
Pontypool	14	Northampton	0
Warrington	3	Wasp	15
Devonport	3	Services	3
Bedford	25	Old Leysians	20
Cheltenham	16	Cross Keys	20
Neath	16	Pontypool	3
Swansea	14	Barbarians	7

JESSE OWENS WANTS TO BE AMATEUR AGAIN

London, Apr. 18.

The following are the results of the International Athletic Association in Paris have been discussing the case of Jesse Owens, the coloured American sprinter who created such a furore at the Olympic Games and has since turned professional.

Owens recently asked for reinstatement as an amateur, but in the opinion of American officials this was not possible.

International Athletic Association officials agree with the opinion of the American authorities. They consider that if Owens was to be reinstated it would open the way to all sorts of similar requests.

—Reuter.

Last Quarter-Final Tennis Tie To-day

The remaining quarter-final match in the Open Doubles of the Tennis Championships, between Wong Shiu-wing and Luk Ding-cheung, of the Chinese R.C., and H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce, of the Hongkong C.C., will be decided this afternoon on the stand court. The winners of the tie will meet S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn for the right to enter the final.

Middlesex Entertains Press Team

Billiards, Snooker And Table Tennis

The Middlesex Regiment last evening entertained a Hongkong Press team to an enjoyable billiards, snooker and table tennis encounter at Sham-shing.

BILLIARDS

Pte. Attridge	120	R. Goldman	71
Pte. Mellor	118	A. T. Lee	120
Pte. Hatchett	120	J. L. Anderson	95
Pte. Coombes	120	N. A. E.	
Pte. Sleeth	118	R. Goldman	118
Pte. Gorman	97	A. T. Lee	120
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SNOKER

Mellor and Attridge (Middlesex)	30	Goldman and Lee, 55
Gorman and Gorman (Middlesex)	55	Anderson and Mackay 54
Sleeth and Hatfield (Middlesex)	192	W. J. Keates and G. C. Burnett, 117
Dawes and Aldridge (Middlesex)	73	Goldman and Burnett 40

TABLE TENNIS

Goldman (Press) beat Attridge	21-11, 17-21, 21-15; Coombes (Middlesex) beat Burnett 22-20, 20-22, 21-18; Mellor beat Lee 21-9, 22-20.
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The South China team which defeated the Navy in the Kotewall Cup by seven goals to nil at Sookunpoo yesterday, photographed after they had won the trophy. (Photo: Nee Cheung).

KOTEWALL CUP WON BY SOUTH CHINA IN EASY FASHION

Navy Completely Outplayed In Yesterday's Soccer Game

Already with a victory over the Army to their credit, South China A.A. carried off the Kotewall Cup yesterday by defeating the Royal Navy by seven goals to nil at Sookunpoo.

Perhaps owing to the short notice of the match, there was not as big a crowd as might have been expected for a holiday fixture of such importance; but in any case, the game was far too one-sided to be really interesting, and those who stayed away did not miss very much. Almost right from the start, the Chinese asserted their superiority, and as soon as Lee Shek-yau, their left-winger had scored the first goal, that the Chinese would win comfortably became apparent.

The South China forwards were combining too well together to brook of any interference by the Navy defenders, who were out-paced, and outplayed. Blair, the right half, tried hard to stem the tide, but though he succeeded in some measure, the other halves were unable to cope with Chan Tak-fai and Co. Five goals up at the interval, the Chinese took things rather easily in the second period. As so often, the case when they have a match in their grasp, the Chinese indulged in a great deal of close inter-passing, which was pretty to watch but seldom took them nearer to the Navy goal. However, it delighted their supporters.

Chan Tak-fai led the scoring with four goals, followed by Lai Shiu-wing with two and Lee Shek-yau one. S.C.A.A.—Tam Kwan-kon; Li Tinsang, Mak Shui-hoi; Leung Wing-sing, Lau Hong-choi, Tse Kam-hung, Tang Kwong-sum, Lai Shui-wing, Chan Tak-fai, Lau Chung-sang, Lee Shek-yau.

Navy: Woolford; Tozer, Naughton; Blair, Dixon, Delderfield; Spiller, Armstrong, Morris, Hunt, Page.

NEW YORK YANKEES SURPRISED

Humbled By Boston Red Sox

New York, Apr. 18.

The 1938 Baseball season in the United States opened to-day with a surprise result, the New York Yankees, World Series winners last year, being humbled in their first game by the Boston Red Sox.

The Yankees collected four runs from six hits, but the Red Sox sent eight men across the home plate from 11 hits. Chapman hit a home run for the Boston outfit.

President Roosevelt threw the first ball in the game between the Philadelphia Athletics and the Washington Senators.

No fewer than 20 runs were scored in this encounter, the Senators claiming 12 and the Athletics eight. Lewis and Bonura hit for the circuit for the Senators.—Reuter.

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Cricket Notes

THE NEW 'WISDEN' DESCRIBED BY 'R. ABBIT'

Changes Only Of Order And Arrangement

To those who not only play but study cricket, and perhaps even more to those who have had to give up the actual playing of the game and can only keep in touch with it as spectators and students, "Wisden" is a household word. The first number was published in 1864 and, though I confess I am unaware of its actual form, I know that for a great many years the Almanack has appeared in the form to which we have been accustomed. It was therefore somewhat of a shock to discover that in this, the seventy-fifth edition published in 1938, a new form has been given to the "Cricketers' Bible" as it has often been called. But the changes are only those of order and arrangement.

The former "Wisden's" were divided into two parts. In the first appeared The Laws of Cricket, the Umpires list, Births and Deaths of Cricketers and a few lists including one of all Oxford and Cambridge Blues. Then there were sixty pages of "records", an Article or two, Obituary of the preceding year, "Five cricketers of the year" with portraits, and finally twenty-eight pages on public school cricket and Notes by the Editor.

The second half was entirely scores and figures, averages, notes of the same all over the world and the Fixtures list. At the beginning of this Part appeared the critical account and scores of any M.C.C. Tour which had taken place. Owing to the fact that these go on into the new year as a rule, these accounts were usually a bit out of date, and of course this must still continue. For instance the general account of the Australian Tour of G. O. Allen's team appears in this, the new 1938 edition.

THE NEW PLAN

In the new "Wisden" the division into two parts has been done away with altogether. All articles appear at the beginning—I use the word "articles" as opposed to critical or general accounts of M.C.C. tours)—starting with the "Five Cricketers of the Year," and ending with the Editor's notes. After this appear the First-Class Averages, the Laws of Cricket, Tours and scores—and so on to the end of the book. Its length is slightly less than that of the recent Almanacks, as there are 988 pages as against 1,040 in the 1937 volume. Part of this reduction is, I fear, obtained by the use of extremely small type in the Obituary which, together with the "Cricketers' Births and Deaths," has been placed almost at the end of the book. The use of this small type is the only real blemish on a most excellent volume. On the other hand, it is splendidly indexed, far better than before and I fancy the paper and printing of the articles show a good deal of improvement—though I am not an expert on this question. At any rate it has proved possible to produce

THE OBITUARY

I have referred previously to the Obituary for 1937. There are unfortunately a singularly large number of prominent cricketers who have passed away in this year, and I hope to publish a short article on this list later. There is one point on which perhaps one of my readers could enlighten me. I was on my way out from Home during October 1937 and later in the year I was told that C. Aubrey Smith had died during the month in question. I had not heard of it; I have never seen it confirmed, and so far as "Wisden" goes he is still alive as after his name appears only in 1938. I sincerely trust that he is still going strong. I knew he was "playing cricket" when over seventy.

SOME FURTHER NOTES

In fact, as Wisden is not accessible to a good many of my readers I shall try to put together an article or two including some of the more interesting points of this new volume. Those who have bought it can omit the articles, which if possible will appear on Tuesdays.

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Prince "Bira" Wins Campbell Trophy Race

Mrs. Petre Back To Track

London, April 18.

Prince Bira of Siam won the Campbell Trophy Race at Brooklands to-day, driving his car "Era" at an average speed of 73.70 miles an hour over a 2 1/2 mile course.

During a preliminary race, Lieut. Clayton, travelling at 100 miles an hour, crashed over the banking and was sent to hospital. He had a remarkable escape from death.

Mrs. Kay Petre, who was unconscious for several weeks following a crash last year, returned to the track with no signs of nerves, and did not even wear a crash helmet.—Reuter.

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Four Stumps Next Cricket Move

Is the fourth stump the short cut to the termination of cricket's troubles? Leaders of the premier League of the country think so and, this summer, will introduce the experiment in match-play.

It is a vastly interesting situation. The Lancashire Cricket League is not satisfied with the trend of things. Leaders at the recent annual meeting disagreed with the new law, and so got down to tackling the old problem of "brighter cricket" in a new way.

Let Mr. C. A. Milford explain—he is the secretary of the East Lancashire club at Blackburn, which is sufficiently progressive to be negotiating for the services next year of Grimmett, the Australian bowler.

"Various innovations have been made with a view to assisting the bowler and restoring the balance between bat and ball. These haven't carried cricket very far and, as there seems to be no possibility of getting back to the days when the batsman's pads were of reasonable size and were used solely as protection from injury, we have decided on more direct action.

"The principle of extending the wicket has already been approved and, under the modern conditions of play and improved pitches, the only

decisive remedy seems to be to try four, instead of three, stumps.

"I WAS CALLED A BOLSHIEVİK"

"Last season things like this were happening: East Lancashire, 190 for three (dec.), Burnley 202 for two wickets. In Saturday afternoon cricket! Batsmen too much on top.

"What the people want is action in the game. A score of 100 should be a good total in Saturday cricket such as ours, and leaving each side a chance to win. Therefore, matches under this system will be arranged this summer, though not in the League.

"I was called a Bolshievik for making the proposal, but next morning Alfred Ballard, one of the best bowlers in League cricket ever produced, told me that after thinking it over he believes this to be the real way out.

Mr. Glendon Holgate, secretary of the Lancashire League, also cordially approves the experiment.

"I regard it," he says, "as the best effort that has yet been made to solve the problems of cricket."



The cricket team of the Middlesex Regiment, which has done so well during the past season, photographed with its trophy. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

TRANSFER RUSH ON LAST DAY

Player Refuses To Move

London, March 23. It is a safe estimate that during the last week of open transfers, clubs have spent over £1,000,000, of which more than £300,000 worth were rushed through during the final day.

The principal moves are as follows: George Hunt (inside or centre for Arsenal) to Bolton Wanderers. Tommy Sale (inside forward) to Blackburn Rovers.

Cuthbert Phillips (outside-right) to Aston Villa to Birmingham.

Frank Chivers (forward or half) to Huddersfield to Blackburn Rovers.

Charles Sergeant (outside left) to Chester to Stockport County.

W. J. Fallon (outside left), Notts County to Sheffield Wednesday.

J. R. Roy (outside left), Sheffield Wednesday to Notts County.

A. Riddard (centre half), West Bromwich A. to Queen's Park Rangers.

R. Ferrier (inside right or left), Manchester United to Oldham Athletic.

J. R. Rhy (goalkeeper), Shrewsbury T. to Stockport County.

W. C. Lumby (inside or wing forward), Grimsby T. to Stockport County.

W. J. Wheeler (eighteen, goalkeeper), Cheltenham to Birmingham.

Ernest Stokes (twenty-two, back), Torquay to Southend.

Samuel Baum (twenty-one, outside right) Bolton to Port Vale.

THREE OFFERS REFUSED

Bolton are believed to have paid £5,000 to the Arsenal for Hunt, who went to Highbury from Tottenham last October.

Cuthbert Phillips, the Welsh international, cost Aston Villa about £20,000 from Wolves during their £40,000 panic buying spell in 1935. The fee paid by Birmingham has not been divulged.

Grimsby refused three offers for players on the last day. The sum offered for one player would have wiped out Grimsby's liabilities, but the Board decided to remain in debt rather than jeopardise their playing strength.

Luton, who require an inside forward as soon as they have transferred Payne, made their record bid for Scott, of Brentford, but after the clubs had agreed to terms, the player refused to move.

Chelsea approached Southampton for Osman but, like Arsenal, were informed that he was not for transfer. Chelsea also made an unsuccessful attempt to get Brentford to transfer Reid.

AUSTRO-GERMAN TEAM

When the England team appears in Berlin on May 14, it is stated that they will be opposed by a combination of Austria and Germany. A well known continental football authority believes that there will be no fewer than eight Austrians in the team.

It is also stated that there will be no more internationals for Austria, which is now in the same category as an English county. Already the game to be played in Paris this week has been cancelled.

Wolves have completed arrangements for a great European trip including games in Antwerp, Paris, Prague and Budapest. The political situation has in no way dampened the players' ardour for the trip.

The next big match is the England and Scotland international at Wembley. Followers of Stoke will be sorry to hear that there is little possibility of Steele being considered for the centre-forward berth. Steele has not recovered confidence after a cartilage operation and the Stoke manager has decided to nurse him very carefully, with a view to getting him thoroughly fit for next year.

I thought it would not be long before someone tried to imitate Wolverhampton Wanderers and this week we have announcement that Derby County intend to model their team on a belief that youth with its pace and virility will dominate football in the future.

JEAN BOROTRA HAS NEW JOB

Famous Tennis Player Building Big Indoor Courts At Autuall

London. Jean Borotra has a new job. He is head of a company which is laying down eight covered courts at Autuall, to house all the big indoor tennis matches in France.

One match has already been played on Borotra's courts—the London v. Paris match. Unfortunately only two of the courts were ready, and some of the English players, who went over must have had a somewhat inconvenient time, playing amid the smell of paint and the noise of hammering.

Borotra is expected to resume practice shortly. He has been unable to play since he tore some ligaments in his right leg a few days after Christmas, while sking at St. Moritz. If he is fit, he will captain the Tennis Club of Paris against a Danish national team on April 26 at Copenhagen.

EMPIRE NEWS

BRITISH SETTLERS FOR RHODESIA

Cape Town. A scheme to attract British immigrants to Rhodesia is to be launched by the Government of Southern Rhodesia, working in conjunction with the 1820 Memorial Settlers' Association. The Rhodesian and British Governments will share the larger part of the cost of bringing out the immigrants.

Maximum cash grants of £35 will be made to immigrants to cover expenses, and the steamship and railway companies will also make substantial concessions.

The scheme has been introduced because the immigrant returns show that a substantial proportion of the immigrants in Rhodesia are aliens. Parliament prorogued.—The last session of the seventh Parliament of the Union ended to-day, and most of the members are leaving to-night for their constituencies. The Government will now go to the country on May 18 with the knowledge that it has been greatly strengthened by debates of the past session, that it is an instrument for racial peace and national co-operation, and that the ideals of the United Party when it came into power five years ago, remain undimmed.

Archbishop Phelps.—Dr. Phelps, the retiring Archbishop of Cape Town, is sailing for home on Friday in the Union Castle liner Athlon Castle, 25,564 tons. He intends settling in Oxford.

INDIA

PROHIBITION DEBATE Calcutta. Doubts of the success of the Prohibition experiment in Madras are expressed by Mr. Gopala Reddi, Presidency Minister for Local Administration. Total prohibition was introduced in the Salem district of Madras last October.

Mr. Reddi said that all India was looking towards Salem, but the public enthusiasm aroused at the start had subsided. The support of the public, without which failure was almost certain, was lacking.

Speaking in the Legislative Assembly, Mr. J. M. Smith appealed for the return of ex-convicts. Since Prohibition had come into force, illicit distilling had greatly increased, and it was to be feared that the number of undetected cases was serious. Drinking of raw spirit, easily made from rice, was going on, with all its terrible effects.

Other speakers urged a plebiscite before Prohibition was extended throughout the whole province.

Riots in Jubbulpore.—Twenty-three Hindus, 18 Moslems and three policemen were injured at Jubbulpore, Central Provinces, to-day in Hindu-Muslim rioting which occurred during the celebration of the Hindu festival of Holi. Excessive drinking and the carrying of weapons

"Won't You Come Home Now Farr?"

Boxers In England Anxious To Have Welshman's Title

British heavy-weight boxers who have aspirations to the British and Empire titles held by Tommy Farr, raised a chorus of "Won't you come home now, Tommy?" when they heard of his points defeat by Max Baer in New York.

Len Harvey and Ben Foord, both ex-holders of the British and Empire titles, and recently in training for fights with Jack McAvoy and Walter Neusel respectively, interrupted their preparations to say how delighted they would be if Tommy did come home, while Larry Gains, former Empire champion, and Eddie Phillips, who has beaten the Welshman three times, stated through their managers their willingness to get into the ring with Farr.

Mr. Job Churchill, Farr's Welsh adviser, interviewed at Tonypandy, deplored present efforts to Americanize Farr's style of boxing and added that he considered his old style was the better.

Churchill added that if Farr had stuck to "hit and get away" tactics and not mixed it with Baer he would have won. "I think Tommy made a mistake in going to America," he said.

FARR FAIRLY BEATEN

American comment on the Farr-Baer fight is:—New York Daily News—"Farr, though staging a great rally and showing his usual game self, was fairly beaten. He was far stronger than Baer, and it was his stamina that enabled him to make a close fight of it."

Associated Press boxing critic—"Baer gave Farr a thorough drubbing. Tommy boxed as well as he did against Louis and Braddock, but he showed no punching prowess to speak of until late in the fight."

According to a Press Association Foreign Special report, Farr's hopes of another world championship fight vanished completely when he received the biggest thrashing of his career.

have now been forbidden, and the shops and markets are closed.

CANADA

MEDICAL PERMITS FOR MARRIAGE Toronto. Mr. D. A. Croll, Minister of Public Welfare in the Ontario Government, has introduced a bill in the Legislature requiring that applicants for marriage licences shall be in possession of certificates from a qualified medical practitioner. These must certify that the applicants are free from venereal disease 15 days before the date of the proposed marriage.

It is not suggested that applicants need prove that they have never suffered from venereal disease, provided they had been cured.

AUSTRALIA

FILM QUOTA MOVES Sydney. Expressing regret that the British Government had failed to amend the Films Quota Bill to enable Australian films to qualify for the British quota, Mr. B. S. Stevens, the Premier of New South Wales, to-day declared that he was hopeful of reciprocity as a result of negotiations now in progress with the Dominions Office.

Mr. Stevens said that the policy of the New South Wales Government was to support the Australian film industry, and he was determined to enforce the legislation, providing reciprocity, passed last year.—Exchange.

Hockey

Macao Players Entertained

Offer Of Trophy Declined

An offer of a trophy for competition was made by Mr. A. B. Laborinho, Consul-General for Portugal, and declined by the Chairman, Comdr. G. H. Bowerman, at the dinner given in honour of the Macao Interport Hockey team, by the local Association at Cafe Wiseman last night.

Comdr. Bowerman, who took the chair in the absence of the President, Mr. A. A. Dand, said the main aim of the Hongkong Hockey Association was to produce a game that was clean and fine and had the real spirit of hockey in it. Hockey was an amateur game and there was no question of professionalism in the way of competing for trophies.

Since it started, he said, the Association had done a lot of good towards hockey in Hongkong, and in this respect, he would like to take his "hat off" to the Press, which had helped considerably by their comment.

The Interport game last Sunday was one of the fastest he had seen in his 22 years' practical experience of hockey, and he would like to congratulate Macao on their well-deserved victory. (Applause). Both teams were now on level terms, and it was extraordinary that neither side had won on their own ground.

Comdr. Bowerman concluded by thanking all those responsible for the arrangements, and presenting Mr. L. Costa, the Macao Captain, with a hockey stick on which were the signatures of the local Interport team.

Ball Presented

On behalf of the visitors, Mr. G. P. Lammert, Jnr., thanked the Association for the marvellous time it had given them, and presented Comdr. Bowerman with a hockey ball.

In a brief but witty speech, Mr. Laborinho said the hockey Interport was a good example of the friendly relationships existing not only between the two Colonies but also between two nations which had helped one another for centuries. If it was not against the rules of the Association, he would like to offer a cup for competition in the Interport series.

The Chairman said the Association was affiliated with the Home body and as such was bound by its rules, which were probably the best in the world. Hockey was a game in which there was no professionalism whatsoever, and therefore he was sorry the offer of Mr. Laborinho could not be accepted.

After he had been presented with a medal of the Association's Umpires Board, Mr. W. J. Lyle paid a tribute to the teams for the "extremely sporting and unquestioning way in which they had accepted his decisions in the two matches that had been played.

Mr. L. Costa said he was happy at the result of the Interport match,

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS

President Roosevelt To Pitch First Ball

New York, April 17. The official opening of the Baseball season for the American and National Leagues is slated for Monday, when the ten million dollar Yankees' team will start their defence of the pennant championship in a match against the Boston Red Sox. President Roosevelt will pitch the first ball of the season in a match between the Philadelphia Athletics and the Washington Senators.

The biggest discussion among fans on the eve of the get-away is the Cubs' acquisition of Dizzy Dean, and Joe DiMaggio's hold-out for a bigger salary. The trading of Dizzy Dean has left everyone guessing, firstly because of its unexpectedness, and secondly because there does not seem much use in trading a rookie outfielder and a pitcher who is frequently ailing for the great Dean who has averaged 22 victories in the past five years. Speculation is rife as to the amount of cash involved in the deal.

Dean is reported to have arrived in Chicago for a brief spell prior to returning to St. Louis to settle some of his affairs. He is remarkably quiet as though dazed at the suddenness of the transfer. His only words were, "We Cubs will do it, I've got to win singlehanded. I am glad to be here and I can now really bear down."—United Press.

FRIENDLY BOWLS

Kowloon Cricket Club Lose To Bowling Green

In a friendly lawn bowls match played yesterday, the Kowloon Bowling Green Club beat the Kowloon Cricket Club by 17 shots.

K.B.C.C.	K.C.C.
H. Lockhart	C. Carr
H. Cooper	R. G. Craig
T. Coleman	(skip)
G. Lines	18 (skip)
(skip)	H. H. Scott
P. T. Barry	R. Meadows
L. G. Coomes	W. Mulcahy
E. Henson	J. Hyde
J. McKelvie	22 (skip)
(skip)	A. E. Perry
R. P. Phillips	W. Naef
P. J. A. Hamilton	F. Fraser
S. Handley	18 (skip)
A. Hyde-Lay	W. T. French
(skip)	R. A. Harding
E. M. G. Hanlon	R. H. E. Marks
G. C. Norman	W. Hirst
J. E. Robson	22 (skip)
J. G. Meyer	H. H. L. Odell
(skip)	C. J. Tacheil
J. Watson	24 (skip)
B. Whitehead	M. Brown
E. M. White	L. Jack
H. Duncan	(skip)
(skip)	A. Jones
H. F. Storcham	A. Nislin
E. A. Hopkirk	J. Smith
J. S. Loran	E. Silkstone
G. E. Thompson	23 (skip)
(skip)	
Total	128

because it was unexpected, while Mr. W. A. Reed, the local Captain, declared that the victory was fully deserved.

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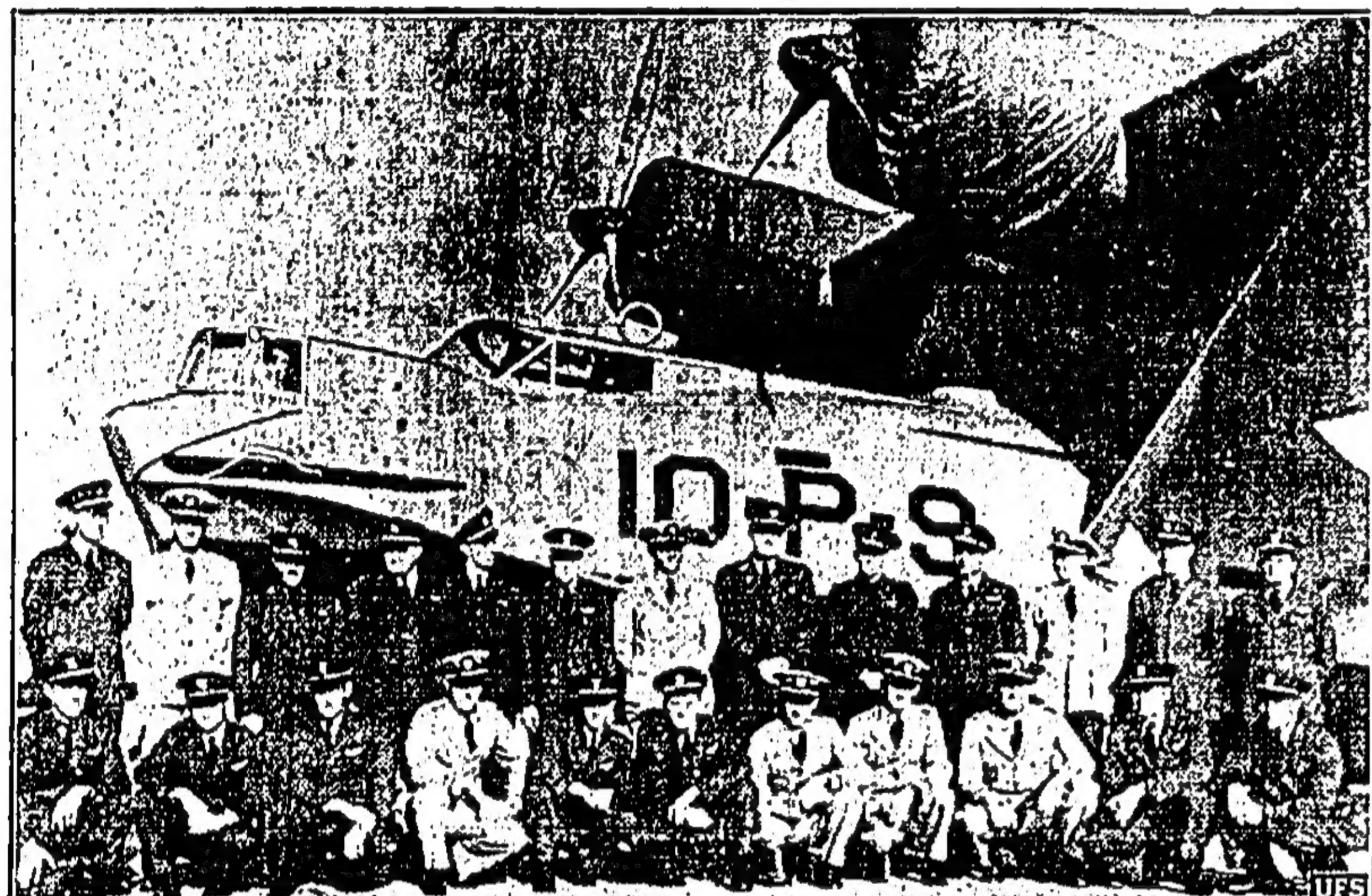
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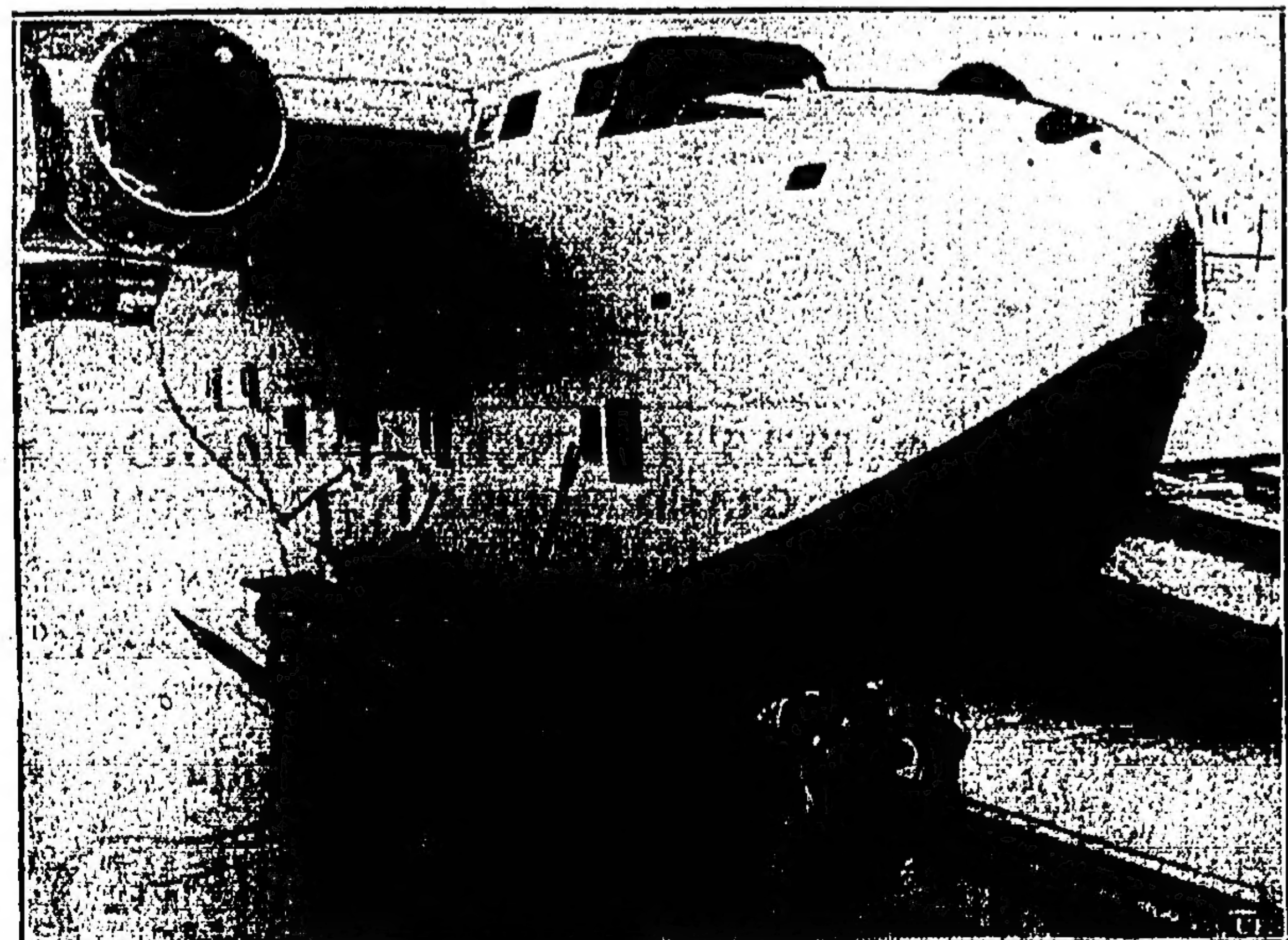
JULIANA'S BABY—Unconscious of the vast rejoicing by The Netherlands at her birth, here is Princess Beatrix Wilhelmina Armgard, daughter of Crown Princess Juliana and her consort, Prince Bernhard, as she poses for her first picture, in The Hague. The name Beatrix was chosen because "we both like it." Others are her grandmothers' names.



BOMBERS IN GREATEST MASS FLIGHT—Here is the scene just before the take-off at San Diego, Cal., of 18 huge navy patrol bombers, bearing 12 officers and men, which successfully completed the 2,570-mile flight to Honolulu, largest over-ocean mass flight ever attempted. Lieutenant Commander Spencer H. Warner, commanding the flight, is in centre, wearing white uniform.



IN PERIL—Investigation by Federal agents followed receipt by Harold Lloyd, film star, of extortion letters demanding \$50,000 for the safety of his family. He is shown above, in his Hollywood home with his wife, the former Mildred Davis of the films, and their children, Peggy, 11, Harold, Jr., 6, and Gloria, 12. The letters were painstakingly printed.



TOO BIG—Largest flying boat in the world, being built for Pan American Airways at the Boeing plant in Seattle, Wash., was so big it could not be completed indoors and is being moved, above, to a specially built drydock outside, to have its wings attached. The ship is designed to carry up to 40 passengers on a 24-hour schedule between the United States and Europe, and on longer routes of the transpacific flights.



TO AVOID BLOODSHED—Yielding to a Hitler ultimatum threatening invasion and bloodshed, Chancellor Kurt Schuschnigg resigned. Here are shown two of the Nazi appointees. Left, Dr. Guido Schmidt, new Minister for Foreign Affairs, and, right, Rudolf Neumayer, Finance Minister.

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CHITRAL	10,000	28th May	Bombay, Marselles & London.
CARTHAGE	14,500	11th June.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp.
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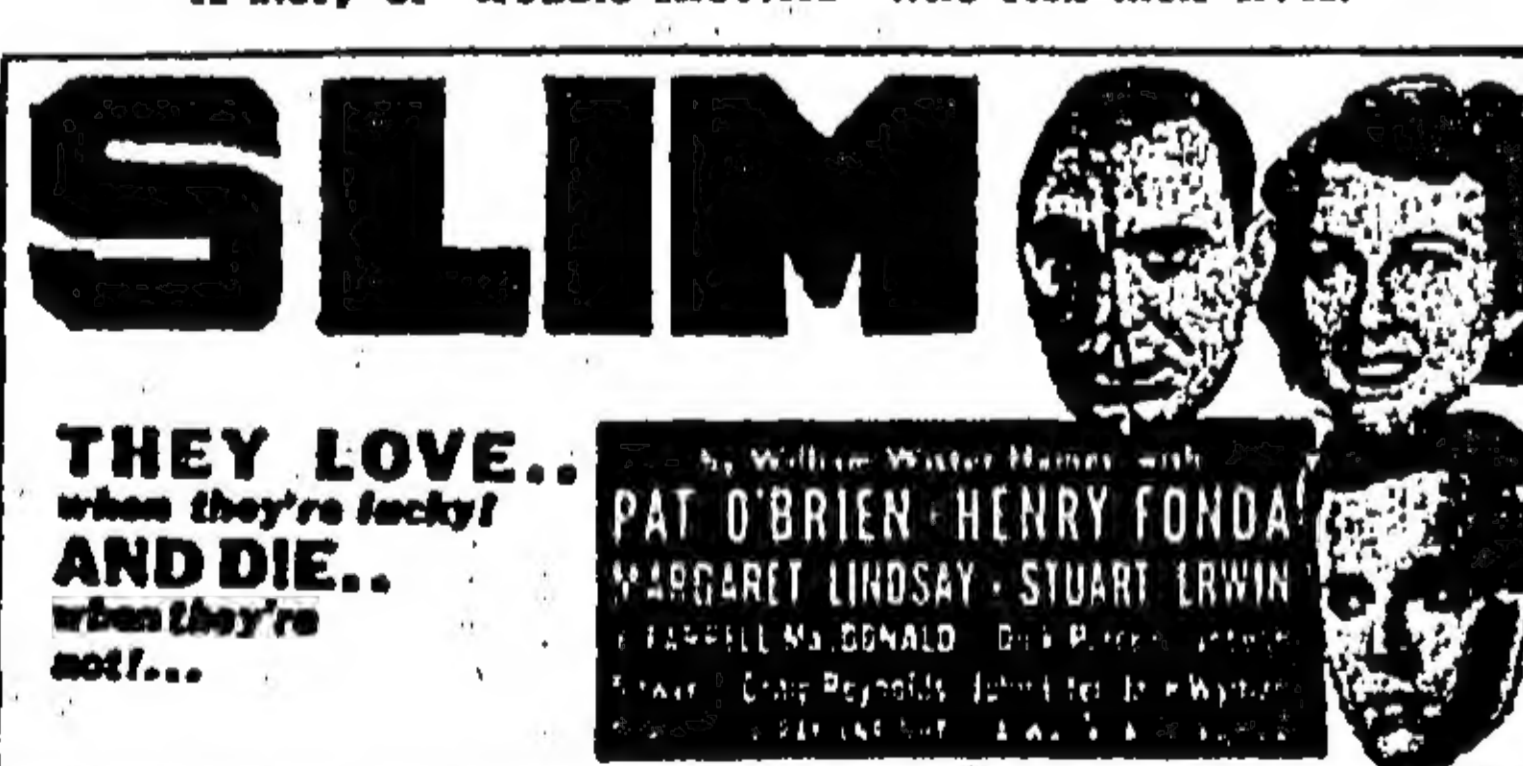
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Washington, April 18.
The Report of the Senate
Naval Affairs Committee on the
United States \$1,560,000,000
naval expansion programme
urges prompt passage of the
measure through Congress.

The Report gives warning that with
its present armaments, the United
States could be defeated or conquered
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"Without a navy capable of controlling the seas against an enemy, an effective blockade of our foreign commerce can be established and maintained thousands of miles from our coasts, and well beyond the range of aircraft," states the Report.

"Our outlying possessions can be captured and used against us as advance bases."
"There is nothing to prevent the establishment of hostile bases on our overseas possessions."

"They could be used instead of aircraft carriers to make repeated bombing raids against our highly industrialised areas."—Reuter.

HUGE APPROPRIATIONS

Washington, Apr. 18.
The House of Representatives Appropriations Committee has favourably reported on the War and Civil Works Appropriations of U.S.\$220,634,725, including President Roosevelt's request for appropriations totalling \$37,000,000 for Flood Control.

The appropriation includes the annual grant to Mr. Paul V. McNutt, High Commissioner for the Philippines. This totals \$181,930, an increase of \$33,730 over last year, and includes \$5,530 for 27 new clerks, messengers, gardeners, caretakers and chauffeurs.—United Press.

WAKE ISLD. HARBOUR

The Civil Works appropriations include \$1,041,000 for the improvement of Wake Island, Midway Island, stop-over for Pan American Airways' trans-Pacific service to Hongkong.

The appropriation is required in order to improve the harbour for commercial seaplanes.—United Press.

PIRATES STRIKE AGAIN IN HONGKONG AREA

Another daring piracy in the vicinity of Hongkong waters has been reported to the Water Police.

A Hongkong registered junk owned by Tam Wing-yip was boarded by five armed men off Ching Chau, in Chinese waters, on the morning of April 16.

The pirates were armed with rifles, revolvers and daggers. When one of the crew of the junk, Wong Tai, refused to obey pirate orders to go into the hold he was stabbed in the arm.

The junk was ransacked, the pirates decamping in their smaller and speedier vessel in the direction of Tso Lim.

Wong Tai, the wounded man, has been admitted to Queen Mary Hospital. His condition is not serious.

EUROPEAN WOMAN AWAKES TO SEE BURGLAR ESCAPING

Awakened by the sound of crashing glass, Mrs. Harrison, of 14 Duke Road, has an unenviable experience in the early hours of this morning, when she witnessed an actual burglary of her bedroom.

The burglar, who was in the act of rifling a wardrobe when he accidentally knocked over some glassware, hurriedly escaped through a window when Mrs. Harrison awoke.

He took with him two handbags, containing money and jewellery to the value of \$272.

In his hurry he dropped one of the handbags, and it was recovered this morning. Jewellery to the value of \$85 was still intact in the bag.

Soviet Still Detaining Japan Plane

Tokyo's Spokesman
Gives Explanation
For Incident

Tokyo, Apr. 19.

One of nine Japanese aeroplanes, while flying over Tunning, near Suifu, an eastern border town of Manchukuo, made a forced landing in stormy weather on April 4 at a point two kilometres east of Tunning. This is in Soviet territory. This admission was made by a Foreign Office spokesman last night.

The landing, he explained, had been made because the plane's supply of gasoline had been exhausted.

The Japanese authorities, he went on, immediately asked the Soviet authorities to return the machine which was now being detained by them.

The spokesman explained that the Soviet had protested to the Japanese Government on April 13 regarding the incident, but the case was still unsettled, he added.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S FINGER IN RUMANIA'S OIL PIE

Aiding Government
Exploitation.

Bucharest, Apr. 18.

The Rumanian five-year economic plan comes into operation to-morrow under the direction of Dr. Miltza Constantinescu, Minister of the new Department of National Economy.

The plan includes a scheme for the exploitation of the huge Rumanian oil fields, largest in Europe, whereby a commission, including representatives of British capital and oil companies established under royal decree, will co-operate with the Government in efforts to increase the crude oil output and discover new sources of supply.—Reuter.

OIL LUCK SIX YEARS LATE

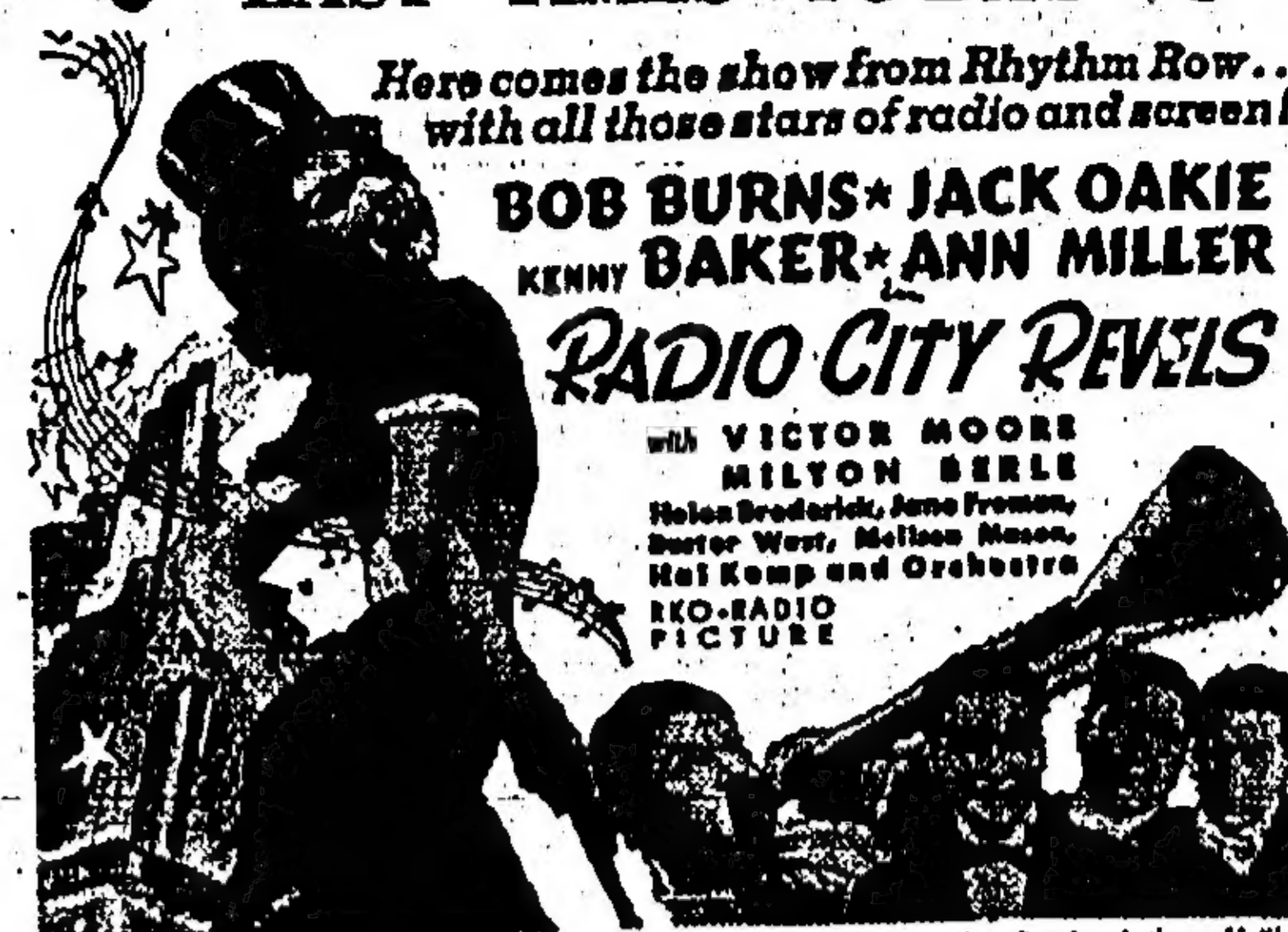
Magnolia, Ark.—Six years to the day passed between the time oil prospectors gave up in despair on the Rhen-Kitchen-Fullenwider No. 1 well and when the Barnett No. 1 produced oil here.

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"THEY WON'T FORGET" "DAUGHTER OF SHANGHAI"
A Warner Bros. Picture. By Popular Demand

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Produced by Edward Kauffman. Screen play by Charles
Kauffman, Paul Twiss, Viola Brothers Shore

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Warner Bros. Picture "MOUNTAIN JUSTICE"

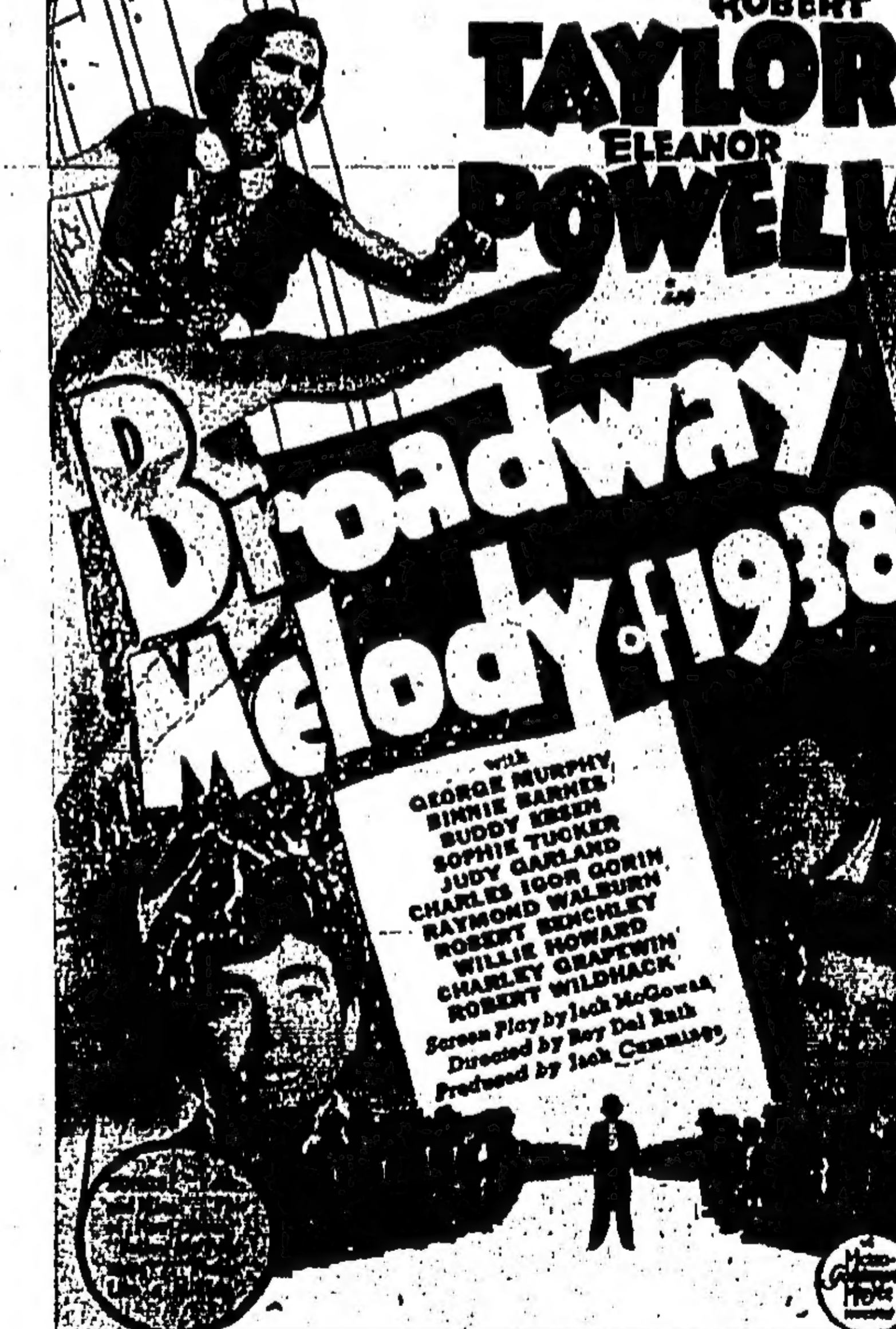
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